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Interviews with a Message

Ms Sumerlus
Head of School
Interview by Meena Bhullar and Amy Dhillon

Q: What is your message for the grads?
A: The most important piece of advice I ever got came from my mother, "Be somebody in your own right because you never know what life will deal you." That would be my advice also. There are tremendous strengths and abilities in the grade 12 class. They're the first graduates who have been with me throughout the entirety of their senior school. It's going be hard to say good bye.

Q: What were your goals at the beginning of the year, in terms of students and the school?
A: The biggest goal for me is to create a technology direction. We started the laptop initiative. I want to make sure we're preparing you technologically for what you're going to need in the future.

Q: What is the most memorable thing that happened this year?
A: Having a volleyball team that actually entered into the provincials was very memorable for me. That was really exciting! I also think that the international assemblies have been really fabulous.

Q: What will you remember most about the staff?
A: I will remember the amount of time and effort that they always put in; that's what makes them special. They are the meat and potatoes of the school. They are the people on the front lines and they deal with all of the issues that come up. And I thank them for their dedication.

Q: What is your fondest memory of the 2002-2003 school year?
A:. I was very proud of what the girls did and presented in the Multicultural Day Assemblies. I also attended the Fashion Show. When the grade 12s walked out in their grad attire with the young men in tuxes was memorable, because I was so used to seeing girls in uniform. Seeing them in gowns, almost like Cinderella, is a memory that will stick with me.

Q: What message do you have for the staff and students?
A: Just be proud, very proud of being a part of Balmoral Hall and coming from Balmoral Hall. Go out there and try different things. Don't be afraid of the unknown. I would really encourage, both staff and students to just take risks. Sometimes, we don't want to go to university or switch a job because we are afraid. It has always been my experience that changes happen for reasons and usually good reasons.

Q: If there is a way to describe this year's grads what would it be and why?
A: They are Awesome. Another word that comes to mind is Outstanding. They have been very determined. They have applied themselves and worked their hardest. They've been accepted at universities all over.

Q: What is your advice to them?
A: Go for the Stars. Don't be afraid to try. Don't be afraid to take risks. I believe there isn't anything you can't do if you are determined. Don't give up. Go for that goal and things do come to be.

Mrs Kamin
Principal of Senior Schoo
Interview by Kiran Dhillo
and Leena Hasa

Kenneth Bicknell
Chair of the Board of Governors

To the graduates:

Whether you're a lifer or have just been with us for a short period of time, I am certain tha in the years ahead your Balmoral Hall experience will serve you well. Always do what is right even if it is not easy. Protect those who need to be and when you are in a position of powe remember Mrs. Sumerlus' firm yet fair approach; it is very effective.

As you move on to university and a career, be confident in your ability to lead, manage and conquer. I challenge you to continue to focus on learning throughout your life. Should you take this on, you will reap many rewards.

I ask in the future that you remember Balmoral Hall when you are in a position to provide back to your community. Commit yourself now to give, so that others may experience what you have.

On behalf of the Board of Governors, I would like to extend our congratulations on your graduation. Meliora Petens and don't forget the sunscreen.

Ken Bicknell
Chairman, Board of Governors 2001 - 2003

Reflections of the Year

Mrs Steek
Principal of Junior School
Interview by Kerri Onotera
and Nathania van Kuik Fast

Q: What are the top five things you love about Junior School?
A: 1. The thing I love the most are the children, and their enthusiasm, innocence, and love of learning.
2. Teachers are another one, and they have an incredible commitment and dedication to their students.
3. The kindness and sense of caring makes this school a very special place.
4. The partnership between the staff, students and parents.
5. The very last thing I love about Junior School is Mrs. Christie; her incredible smiles, great sense of humour and obvious love of children.

Q: What Junior School happening has made you the most proud this year?
A: I am very proud of how the children are becoming more involved with the community. The students in Junior School are aware that through their actions they can make a difference in the world.

Q: Do you have any special messages for the Grade 5 students as they enter Middle School?
A: As you move into middle school, you have more independence and there are a lot of changes but underneath all of that is one of my favorite quotes, "To thine own self be true". I think that if you're honest with yourself you can never go wrong.

Mrs Copp
Principal of Middle School/Head of Academic Studies
Interview by Kathryn Marcyniuk
and Leah Wenier

Q: What do you think the advantage is of a girls' only school?
A: I think that an all girls' school gives you a sense of pride and an opportunity to keep your focus on your academics. It gives you the confidence that you need in order to be able to accomplish the things that I know you all are capable of.

Q: What is special about this year's students?
A: I find this group of students very eager to learn and they get down to work very quickly. They seem to be enthusiastic about the kinds of work they produce. It is very special to see.

Q: What do you know that students get from BH and its wonderful environment?
A: I think that one of the great things that the students get from BH is the sense of belonging, that they're part of a community. A very big part of what our environment can offer is both the support emotionally for students as they are going through different changes in their life and also an environment in which they can focus on their academics.

Q: What school wide accomplishments are you most proud of this year?
A: I think the students have worked very hard in math this year. There's been a real focus in it and I think that it's a hard subject and it takes a lot of concentration.

Deborah Morrison
President of the Alumnae Association

To the Class of 2003:

Congratulations! You've made it through the first of what I am sure will be many challenging milestones you will reach! On behalf of the BH alumnae who have come before you – welcome the Alumnae Association!

BH has prepared you well for your next adventure. Infused with confidence and a deepened commitment to serving the greater community, as a BH grad you are predictably very eager to get to it in your own special way. Although you may no longer spend every day in our hallways, remember that the school's doors will always be open to you. Wherever you are in the years to come, know that you may always count on this fantastic network of talented, exceptional women to be there to support you. We hope that you too will continue to share your strength, wisdom, and experience as you continue on in your life's pursuits. BH is now a part of your history, but that doesn't mean you should leave this part of your past behind you. Rather, we hope you will carry it forward proudly and keep in touch with us as you plan for the future. You've made friendships here that will last a lifetime – those among the women around you in this graduating class, and the bigger circle of the entire BH family. We wish you every success in the years ahead, and look forward to hearing from you! Keep in Touch! Deborah Morrison BH '81

Student Leaders

Senior School

Head Girl - Julia Cloutier

School Captain - Claire Dickson

What an awesome year this has been! It has been, by far, my favourite year! I have had so much fun with you! We have had great dances, crazy mufti days, a fabulous Halloween week, and the best pie eating contest. P.S. It was disgusting. This year has gone by so quickly, and it is shocking and sad to know that it is almost over. However, whatever we have done, we've done it with so much fun! Balmoral Hall holds so many memories and my best times have been at the school. I love the people at BH and it will be very hard not to be back next year. I am so excited to hear how next year goes. I have never been so proud of Balmoral Hall's students until now. We are supporting each other and we are becoming united. We couldn't do it without the huge support from Ms. Welch and student council. Thank you very much! Also, executive council is amazing. I am very honoured to work with them and to work for you. Thank you for a fantastic year! I will miss you all unimaginably. I hope that you have had as much fun this year as I have had. After we leave, be sure to fill the halls with fun and laughter because those things will get you through the day. Make the most of your days because it goes by so very quickly! Good luck and you can do anything, so "BRING IT!"
Love Jules

I was asked to write a little paragraph about my year as being School Captain. A paragraph, I thought? I am not supposed to be doing this yet! I just got the hang of this whole prefect thing. Well, then here I am writing my paragraph, not exactly sure of what to say. This year has been one I couldn't ever forget. This year has been like a theme park. It has been crazy, fun-filled, scary, nauseating, exciting, enormous, busy, too short, too long, dizzy, scatterbrained, and an emotional experience. It's a lot to handle but I loved every second of it. BUT nothing would have worked this year without Ms. Welch. From the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU for absolutely every bit of nonsense you have gone through with us. We were definitely a spunky group and you kept us grounded along the way. May I add, if I didn't have the spunkiest, coolest, genius group of executives I've ever seen, working beside me, I probably would have had a mental break down in September. Thank you for all of your love and support. This school has been such a huge part of my life for so long now and I stick by this lyric "Nobody said it was easy, it's such a shame for us to part. Nobody said it was easy, no one ever said it would be this hard, oh, take me back to the start." Thank you Balmoral Hall for believing in me because I don't believe in anything and I want to be someone to believe. For the prefects next year, I wish you the best of luck and love. Claire Dickson

Wow! This year has passed by so quickly! I can't believe what an amazing journey this has been. Middle School is such a great place to be and every girl of the student body showed me that if we all work together, we can succeed in all our ideas. So, I must thank all Middle School students and staff for being so great! I must especially thank the wonderful group that made up our Middle School council. Without you, none of our events such as our super sizzling dance or our huge Halloween party would have been possible! All of your hard work definitely paid off! I would like to thank the Executive Council and Ms. Welch, for supporting us and for helping with our events. Your ideas were wonderful and I don't think I have known a more spirited group. Best of luck to you next year. Now, I cannot forget to thank Mrs. Christie! Your enthusiasm and guidance was a big part of why this school year has been so fabulous. It was truly an honor working with you on our council this year. I must conclude by wishing next year's prefects the best of luck and I truly hope your time being prefects will be as great as mine has been!
Kristina Robison

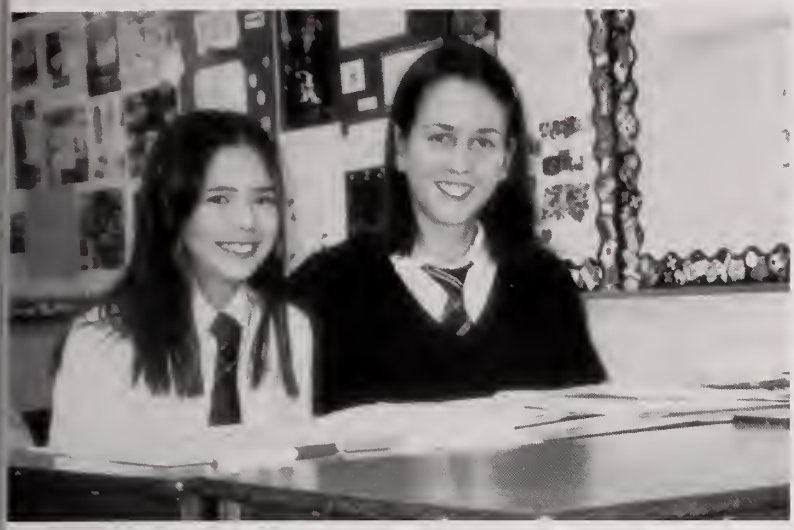
Middle School

Head Girl - Kristina Robison

School Captain - Robin Jacuzzi

This year Middle School was totally awesome! It was extremely fun and successful, and I had a great time being School Captain. I can't believe how fast this year has gone by, and I know that I, and hopefully Middle School, will never forget it! We had a great time planning 'Viva La Fiesta' the dance, the Halloween fun day, spirit week, student elections and the election party. I would like to thank Kristina, Claudia and all of student council for their help, and Ms. Welch, Mrs. Sumerlus and Mrs. Copp for agreeing to our crazy ideas! Special thanks go to Mrs. Christie who has steered us in the right direction through the whole year, and has helped us so much. Good luck to all of the future executives, and hopefully they will have as much of an exciting and unforgettable time as I have! Robin Jacuzzi

Making Memories



Nathania van Kuik Fast Senior School Yearbook Prefect with Kerri Onotera the Junior School Yearbook Prefect

As I was leafing through old yearbooks, attempting to find some inspiration for this message, I discovered a very disturbing trend. It appeared that, by the time past yearbook editors had to submit their articles, most of them professed to being on the verge of insanity, many of them even doubting that the yearbook would ever complete itself. In fact, all this pessimism can be summed up in the final warning expressed by the '97 yearbook editors: YEARBOOK = SUICIDE. However, one thing I have learned this year is that people ignore dire warnings until they have the experience first-hand, which, in my opinion is the main reason we still have an executive council. But, although stressful, being a part of the yearbook committee has been a great part of my year as well as being an important learning experience. Thank you so much to everyone who has been at all involved in the creation process of this year's yearbook from those of you who donated pictures, to the dedicated committee members who made layouts, cropped, labeled and edited their Tuesdays away in the Spanish room. Also, our dedicated JS advisors, Mrs. Peterer and Mrs. McFarlane, have been a great help in times of picture need, along with the JS prefect, Kerri, who has been taking pictures and learning everything. This book would not be here without all your hard work. And finally, the biggest thank you has to go out to our incredible yearbook advisor, Mrs. McDonald who has spent countless hours of her time taking pictures, chasing after write-ups, and wrapping up odds and ends. This yearbook has been a great success! I hope you all enjoy it!

Yearbook Committee:

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Mrs. Lois Peterer

STAFF

Line dance anyone?

Mr. Richardson is all dolled up!

The BH family wouldnt be complete without the time dedicated by the staff. Throughout the year they have provided us with support guidance and encouragement with academics extra help clubs teams or personal issues. They were always there to help us through difficult times and teach us lessons in Life. The staff are wise beyond their years with an uncanny ability to pass down their knowledge. Not only do the staff have an unending supply of patience and energy but they have an immeasurable impact on us that will be cherished always.

The students may not remember everything you said, but they will never forget the love of learning you instilled in them. ~Anonymous

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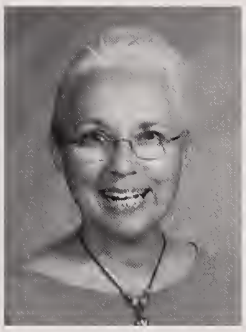
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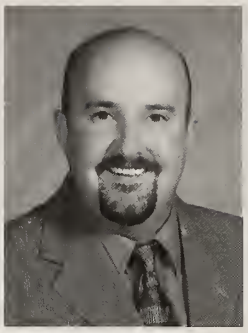
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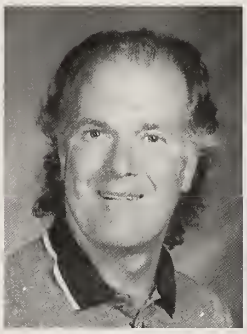
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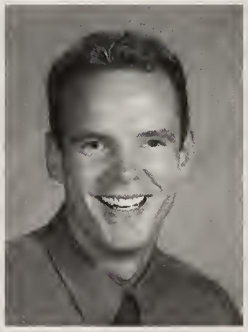
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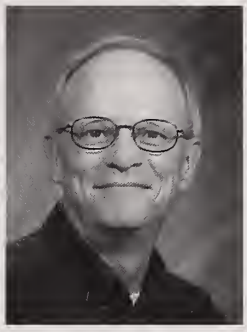
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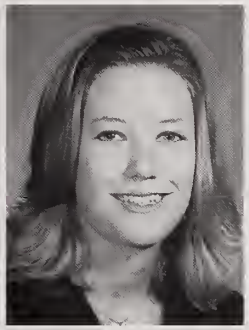
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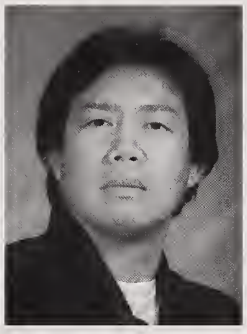
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Heather Welch

Elza Wiebe

Ketri Wilkes

Nancy Young

Tina Zebinski

Harriet Zimmer

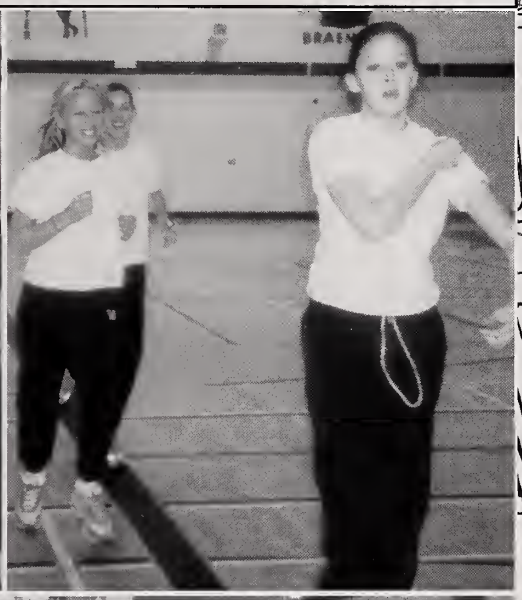
STUDENT BODY

Grade 2 girls share a give and take relationship

Marta Alphonso, Meghan Fejes, Jennifer Dyck-Sprout, techies!

Balmoral Hall is home to over 500 students ranging from ages 4 to 18. Everyone is unique and has a special place in the BH family. Minds are nurtured and friendships grow. Balmoral Hall prepares you for all aspects of life and a secure base from which to explore. Uniforms cafeteria cookies Monday morning assemblies and 'best friends' make us who we are.

What lies before us and what lies behind us
are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.



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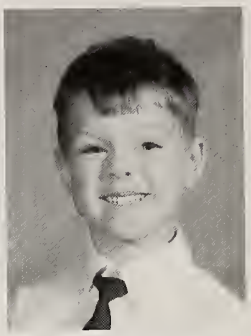
Morgan Bell

Addison Bohna



Conner Botterill

Reyce Cochran

Glen Albert Orris

Shelby Sytnyk

Zoey Traverse

Andreas Verras

Kimberly Tormon

JK - Geske (Full Day)

Sara Ali

Zoe Calsbeck

Dakota Cull

Ella Forgie

Emma Gallant

Erik Huebner

Luca Janzen

Ellen Money

Adrian Polimeni

Kelsey Thai

Kindergarten - Briggs

Annick Beauchesne

Audrey Bicknell

Lindsay Botterill

Alexander Chin

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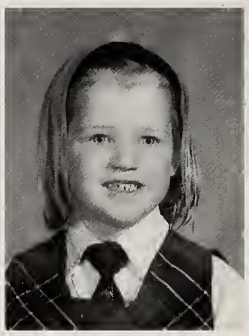
Aurora Robert

Bailey Robinson


Kathryne Roller

Carter Russell

Caelan Stephanson

Alexandra Trann

Kindergarten - Faris

Sarah Asper

Miranda Baran

Evia Beldavs

Leah Bernhardt

Svein Bjornsson

Wesley Chow

Lea Chowdhury

Hanna Coppola

Liam Dartnell

Matthew Fogel

Wilson Ho

Peter Koczanski

Riley Parada Leitao

Varshanna Lockman

Brett Swope-Lonis

Brock Pollard

Marko Roslycky

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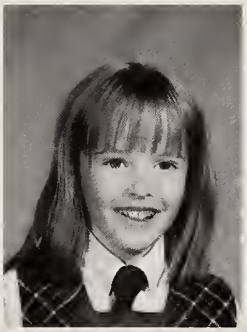
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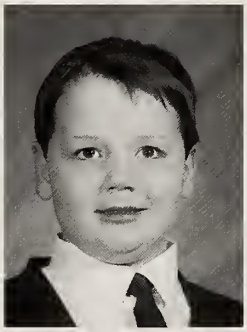
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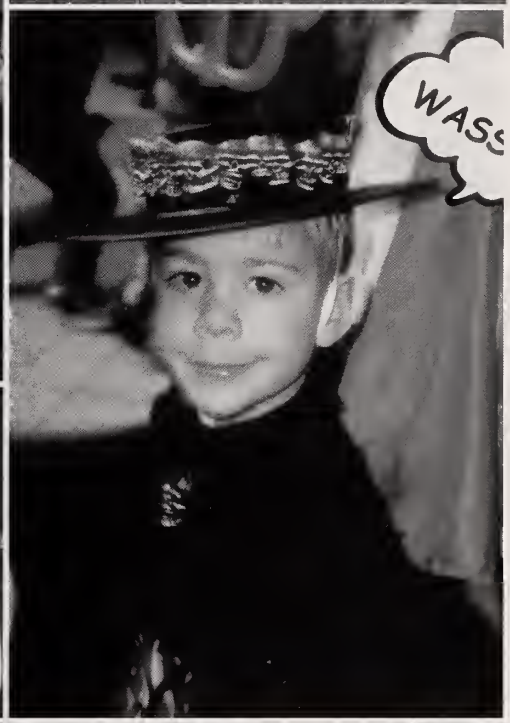
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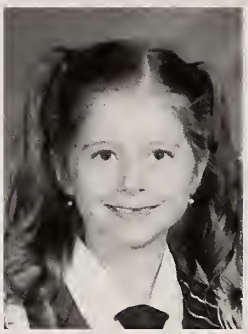
Grade 1 - Hildebrand

Madeleine Arbuckle



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Brynna Kagawa

Jade Michael

Celina Penny

Mollie Quinton

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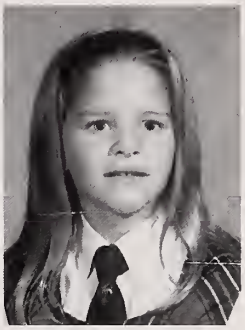

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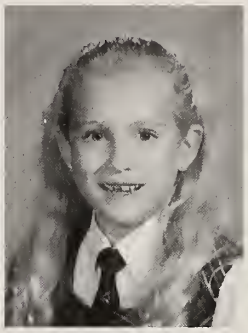
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Vanessa Leung Shing

Sophia Martin-Morice

Brynn Murray

Bryanna Sherbo

Francesca Smith

Sarah Sytnyk

Alessandra Turner

Alexandra Wade

Marissa Woods

Grade 2 - Piper

Natalie Bennett

Vanessa Bermisa

Alia Cappellani

Alexia Cholakis

Desiree Chow

Brooke Cochrane

Anna Evans-Boudreau

Kody Evanyshyn

Kirsten Hooper

Young Jo Kim

Bryn Koehn

Kathleen Kopp

Priya Kotecha

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Nicole Van Hove

Grade 3 - Fenton

Gabriella Balog

Bridget Bicknell

Hayleigh Borger

Laura Dyck-Chan

Lillie-Catherine Cholakis

Stephanie Enns

Manvinder Gill

Leanne King

Alli Knox

Beatrice Kwok

Stephanie Leong

Sydney MacDougall

Paige Nuttall

Courtney Parada-Leitao

Kaitlyn Robinson

Kalli Russell

Sabrina Sorin

Grade 3 - Konyk-Pastuck

Katrina Barkwell

Gabrielle Bohna

Kate Bouchard

Robyn Brar

Kianna Cadogan

Demara Davidson

Alexandra de Pape

Zoe Findlay

Kathleen Hester

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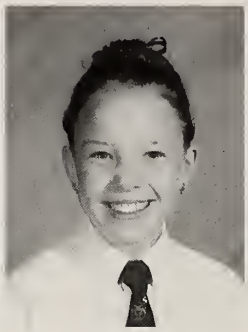
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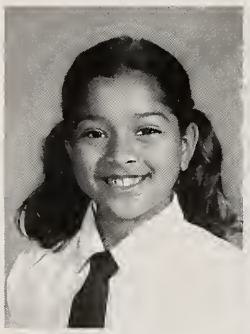
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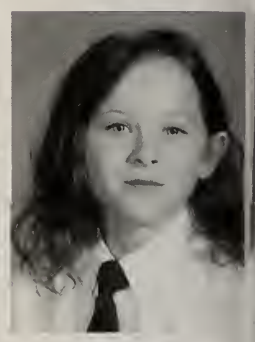
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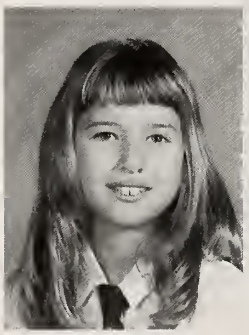
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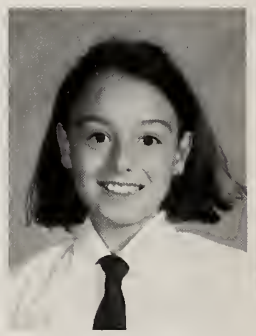
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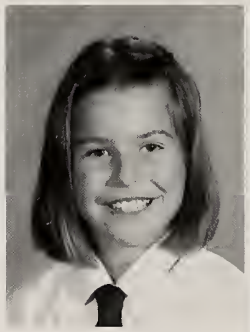
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Madison Maidment

Celeste Main

Lauren Menzie

Jennifer Miller

Palmer Nowak

Emily Quinton

Raffie Rosenberg

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Melissa Russell

Adriana Sly

Amanda Stegmaier

Elizabeth White

GRADE 5 - McFARLANE

Sydney Bicknell is a kind and beautiful girl. She has 1 brother, 2 sisters, 2 hamsters, 2 dogs and a mom and dad. Her favorite colour is blue; her favorite food is grilled cheese sandwiches with fries. She has a cottage at Clear Lake and she loves animals! Her hamsters names are Rosie and Dumbledore. Her dogs names are Katie and Daphne. She is an excellent friend to talk to, play with and have around. She plays tennis, swims, has Art Club and plays piano. She has brown eyes and always has her hair looking its best!! Good luck in Middle School, Sydney!! By Christine Harms

Emily Compbell is a smart, talented and funky girl. Em, you have a great amount of talent, and some day, whatever you do, I know will do a GREAT job. Some of her favorite food is A & W and spaghetti. She has a brother named Aidan and loving parents. Emily won four golds in Highland Dancing. Some of her hobbies are swimming, golfing, skating, skiing, snowboarding, and snow blading. Her favorite colours are blue and green. Also her favorite television shows are Even Stevens and Hit List. I hope to see you next year at Balmoral Hall. Your good friend, Jacklyn Prendiville

Paige Danowski has been here since JK. She has a brother named Wyatt and he is in Grade 7. Her hobbies are skiing and playing with her pet black Lab named Jardy. She has 18 pets; 17 fish and 1 black Lab. Her birthday is on October 21, 1992. She has 5 computers and she has blue eyes. She celebrates Christmas, too. I think that Paige is a really funny and friendly friend! Good luck in Grade 6 Paige!

By Allison Love

Christine Harms is a really nice person. She enjoys buying gerbils. Her favourite singer is Eminem. Her favourite song is I Love Rock and Roll. She used to have two pet gerbils named Cookies and Checkers. She likes to play soccer. Her favourite colour is red. Good luck in Middle School, Christine!

By Megan Martins Da Ponte

Hannah Johnson is funny and a great bud. She likes dogs. Her dog is named Lody and she has some fish. Her favourite food is french fries. For a hobby she takes Highland Dance. She loves swimming with her friends. She is always there when you need her and she always has a smile on her face. She like sleepovers with her friends. Her birthday is on February 10. She doesnt like turkeys because Hannah and I were attacked by them! Hannah has been at BH for 6 years. Her favourite subjects are Gym and Art. Her favourite artists are Avril Lavinge, Shania Twain and Pink. Good luck in grade 6!

From, Shelby Szarka

Soa Yeon Kim is a fun, cool and smart girl. This ten year old loves to read. Her birthday is January 30th. She has a little sister named Young Ja Kim. Her favorite color is blue and her favorite classes in school are art, math and gym. She is in Ballater. An interesting fact about Soa is that she comes from Korea, a beautiful place that I would love to visit. Soa loves puppies of all sorts of breeds. But everyone has a favorite food and Soas is spaghetti. Soas favorite book is *Little Women*. Her sister is in grade 2. Good luck in grade 6, Soa!

By Jaunty Marden

Allison Love has been here since JK. She shows her western horse, Bud. Allison has one mom, one dad and one brother. Her hobbies are laughing, being silly and horseback riding. She has brown hair and hazel eyes. She is as pretty as a picture, always has been and always will be. Allison is a tomboy with spunk and a lady with polish. Her personality is bigger than the great outdoors and makes everyone around her feel like a million dollars. A smile from Allison can brighten even the gloomiest days. Her birthday is on April 10th. Have a good time in Grade Six! Yours till the good lucks!

By Paige Danowski

Gracie Mann is a spunky and beautiful girl with lots of taste. She is caring and has lots of talent including horseback riding, swimming, dancing and singing and much more. She has a family of four, including a brother, Christian, whom she is very close to. She also has a mom who loves her, named Tricia, and a very caring dad, David, and of course, a dog named Annie. Her favourite colour is blue. Gracies favourite show is Friends. Good luck, Gracie, in grade 6, youll do well in life.

by Julie Yan

Alexandra Martin is a smart and nice person. She has three siblings, two brothers and one sister. Her brothers names are Kyle and Calum. Her sisters name is Laura. This year she was the house head of yellow. Some of her hobbies are diving, soccer, piano, and her school work. Her favourite singer is Eminem. Alex is a very popular kid. Her favourite subjects are gym, science, and math. Her favourite foods are pizza and Chinese Food. She was born on July 27th, 1992. Good luck in the 6th grade!

By Serena Shah

Jaunty Marden is 10 years old. Her birthday is on August 26. Her favorite thing to do is play with her dog, Trooper. She has brown hair and blue eyes. She has a two sisters who also go to Balmoral Hall. Cleo is in Grade 9 and Macy is in Grade 7. Jauntys favorite colours are purple and blue. Her favorite subjects are Gym and Language Arts. She is a spirited member of Glen Gairn House. Jauntys favorite food is Penné with tomato sauce. Jauntys favorite book is *Harry Potter*. Her favorite sport is running. Jaunty is a fun and sweet friend.

By Soa-Yeon Kim

Grade 5 - McFarlane

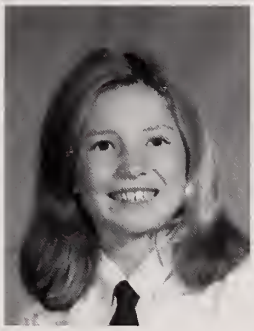
Krystal Nguyen Huo is a new girl at BH She enjoys skating and watching movies Her favourite movie is Spiderman Krystal has a little sister Clarice who is 5 years old Her mother and fathers names are Tracy and Sinh Krystal was born on November 1 1. Her favorite colour is blue and favourite food is rice She absolutely loves dogs Krystal used to go to Laura Secord Her favourite subject is Math and she does well in French because she has a French background She is enjoying BH She is a nice person to be around in the school.

Your Friend Victaria Taylor

Gabrielle Nowakowski owns two cats and eight fish Her hobbies are swimming and she likes to play tennis She is a nice girl and is friendly to everyone. Her nickname is Gabby She has been here at BH since Kindergarten She loves comics such as Garfield and Calvin and Hobbs Her best friends are Maryann Sarah H, Hannah S Paige and Lauren, but she is friends with everybady Good luck in grade 6!

By Rachel Wang

Jacqueline Pollard is a very nice friend She is smart funny and sweet Her favourite singer is Eminem She has two brothers and a mom and dad Her hobbies include laughing, laughing and more laughing Jacqueline is popular and has billions of friends Jacqueline was born on September 9, 1992, and has been sweet ever since Jacqueline is very bad at sports Her favourite subjects are Math, computer and gym Jacqueline plays soccer and is an excellent player She also takes swimming and horse back riding Good luck in Grade 6. Yours forever Alex Martin



Jacklyn Prendiville is a spunky grade 5 student She loves to play baseball and musical theater She also loves to draw and sing She has 5 people in her family and a dog named Monty She has a mom and a dad, an older sister and a younger sister She is a great friend to many people and has many friends Her favourite colour is red and is in the red house She has a cottage at Lake of the Woods I hope she comes back next year! Her favourite book is the Christmas doll She is not going to STR! Yeah! Good luck in grade 6 and have a great summer

By Sydney Bicknell

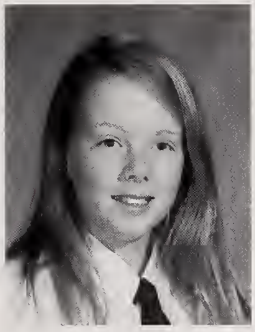
Serena Shah is an awesome friend She has been to India, which I think is super! Serena is very popular and has loads of friends She is very smart in math and her favourite subject is gym Serena loves to skate at the Winter Club. I like Serena as a friend because she laughs and loves to tell jokes She has a very loving family and is an only child I have met a lot of her family because they are always at her house! Serenas favourite food is Chinese food Good luck in Grade 6! You rule!

Your bud Jacqueline Pollard!

Shelby Szarko is a sweet, funny, talented, and nice girl She has a rabbit named Thumper and had a fish named Captain Hook, but sadly, he passed away Shelby is an only child Her favourite hobby is Tae Kwan Da She is an Black Stripe and is going to Black Belt Her favourite movies are, Harry Potter and the Philosophers Stone, and Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets Shelby is 1 0 years old and was born on April 6. Her favourite singers are Avril Lavinge, and Eminem Her favourite songs are Sk8r Boi, and all of Eminems songs Shelby is really popular and has lots of friends Best wishes in Grade 6 Shelby!

Emily Campbell!

Victaria Kathleen Taylor likes skating and playing with her American Girl She has two brothers One is Hugh and he is 7 years old The other one is Gordon and he is 6 years old. She has two pets One is a fish His name is Rainbow and her dogs name is Emily Her favorite colour is purple Her birthday is October 28. Her favorite food is pasta Her moms name is Susan and her dads name is Hugh Victarias favorite movie is Princess Diaries Her favorite song is Sk8r boi Her favorite show is While You Were Out She is a very nice person Your friend Krystal Nguyen



Rachel is a really nice person She likes to swim, skate, play the violin and she is a yellow belt in Karate Rachel has been in BH since Grade 2. She is very helpful in many ways Her best friends are Julie, Gracie, and Jacklyn But everyones her friend She has beautiful eyes and hair I think Rachel is going to have a great time in Grade 6. Have a great time, Rachel

By Gabrielle Nowakowski

Julie Yan is always there for anyone who needs help Her favourite thing to do is laugh and her smile always brightens the room Even if you just said Hi to her, you would know that she was great fun! Julie is an amazing dancer She has been in many recitals and competitions I think Julie is a diva and has great fashion sense She has one brother and they are, most of the time, nice to each other! Good luck in Middle School, Julie! I know that you are a Diva and will make it far!

By Gracie Mann

Megan Martins Da Ponte is a new girl at BH She loves it here and would like to stay Megans birthday is May 8th She is turning 1 1. She loves horseback riding and her favourite colour is blue Megan used to go to Birds Hill School Her favourite subject is Language Arts Megan has 1 little brother She has 3 horses and 2 dogs Megans favourite food is pizza. Her favourite song is Skater Boy by Avril Lavinge Megan is a great friend and her best friends are Eileen and Krystal Her favourite place to go is to the barn Good Luck in Middle School, Megan!

By Hannah Johnson

Grade 5 - Peterer

Uzma Ahmed is a kind and sweet girl. Her birthday is August 6. Her favorite type of food is Italian and she enjoys playing soccer and ringette. Her favourite colours are blue and purple and she likes cats and dogs. Uzma has one sister, a mom and a dad. Uzma is a good student and she likes to have fun. Uzma and her good friend Kristine like to hang out and go CRAZY! She takes piano and she likes it. Uzma is enthusiastic about school and she has fun with it. One of her goals is to become class president. It is her first year here and she is having a blast!

By Taria Rankin-Friesen

Lauren Barker is a fun girl who is very nice to everyone. She is in Grade 5 at BH. Her birthday is on April 24, 1992. Her favourite foods are pizza and pasta. She has one dog named Maggie. She has one brother named Scott. She would like to be a lawyer. She takes 4 dance classes and she loves school! Her favourite subjects are gym and computer. She loves to go to her cabin. In her spare time Lauren likes to work on her computer. Her friends are Holly and Katie from outside of school. Good luck in Grade 6, Lauren.

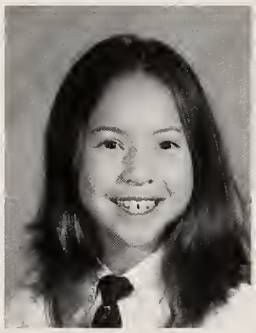
By Eileen Newman

Celina Brown is GIG editor for 02/03. Her favorite CD is Avril's Let Go. Her favorite food is mini pizzas. Delicious! Celina's favourite colour is light purple. She loves Library and is great at French. She adores any type of cat. Celina has a little sister called Sarah who is 6. She is in Green, and likes badminton. Her favourite movie is Spider Man. She loves to read the Sweet Valley High series. She is a Spirit Week RAPPer with lots of spirit! She does Indian dancing with passion and is in level 3 out of 6 for dancing. Celina is fun!

By Sarah Huminicki

Charlie Gray is 10 years old. She loves pets and animals. She's been at BH for seven years! Charlie has 5 pets: 3 dogs, a rabbit, and one hamster. Charlie has a brother named Cory. She is a good friend. She likes pop music. Her favorite animal is a dolphin. Her favorite subject is Art. She loves Art! Her favorite colours are baby blue, baby pink, lime green, light yellow and silver. She's in Ballater House. Her favorite books are Harry Potter and The Chronicles of Narnia.

By Celina Brown



Christine Guyot is 10 years old. She has a St. Bernard dog named Beethoven and a Persian cat named Spookey. Her favourite color is baby blue and her favourite food is strawberries. Yum! She is a Spirit Week RAPPer. Her favourite subject is Gym. She has one sibling, an older sister who is in Grade 7. Her name is Cathy. She loves all sports, but her favourite one is swimming.

by Maryann Watson

Sarah Huminicki is a great girl. She was born March 27. She is smart and funny. She loves cats and enjoys rap music. She likes to be with her friend Maryann. She likes Chinese food. Sarah has 2 cats, Francois and Spooks. Her favourite movie is Big Fat Liar and her favourite colour is lime green. She has a sister, Amanda. Sarah is very energetic. She likes computers and going on the web. Her fovourite sports are b-ball and v-ball. She likes to read Nancy Drew with The Hardy Boys. Sarah is a good friend and is a very important part of BH.

By Madison Stewart

Judy Lee/Jung Min is a really nice girl. This is her first year at Balmoral Hall School. She transferred from Korea. She has a brother named James. She takes horseback riding lessons. She LOVES going horseback riding. Her favorite colour is white. She is in Craig Gowan. Some of her good friends are Hannah, Lauren, Maryann, and Sarah. She plays the piano. Her favorite food is anything Korean. She speaks, reads, and writes Korean. She wants to be a doctor when she grows up. Good luck in Middle School Judy! ^^

By Lauren Barker

Andrea Leong is in grade five and was born on May 21, 1992. She is an intelligent girl and is fun to be around. Her favourite food is sushi and she loves to dance in her spare time. Andie takes jazz, tap, ballet and musical theatre. She's been at BH since Kindergarten. She has a sister named Stephanie who is in grade two. Andies in Ballater house and is a reffing RAPPer. Her favourite books are the Harry Potter series.

By Rebecca Sherba

Eileen Newman is a new girl at BH. She was born on August 26, 1992 and is 10 years old. She has an older brother named Peter and an older sister named Alyse. Eileens favourite food is pizza. Eileen loves cats. She has three cats: Whisper, Ya-ya, and Marcie. Eileens outside activities include jazz, ballet, swimming and piano. Her favourite colours are green and blue. Her favourite subject is gym. Some of her good friends are Erika, Uzma, and Kristine. In her spare time she likes to play with her cats and play on the computer. Eileen is a great friend! Good luck in grade 6!

By Andrea Leong

Kerri Onotera is a wonderful friend. She is the yearbook prefect. Her birthday is April 23, 1992. Her fovourite food is sushi. Kerri really likes the colour purple. Her favorite animals are dogs. She has three brothers. Their names are Steven, Michael and Graeme. Kerri has been at BH for six years. That means she has been here since Kindergarten. She is in Glen Goirn. Kerri likes to hang out with Stephanie, Christine, Taria, and Andrea. Kerri's favorite sport is hockey. She is a fun person to be with and a great friend.

By Hannah Stinson

Grade 5 - Peterer

Sarah Prendiville is the red house head. Her favourite sport is baseball and her favourite colours are baby pink and baby blue. She has a dog named Sugar and a cat named Puss-Puss. Sarah likes hanging out with her good friend JP. Sarah has a sister named Kathleen and a brother named Tammy. Sarahs favourite food is Fettuccini Alfreda. In her free time, she likes singing, playing the piano and listening to music. Sarah enjoys listening to Shakira and Puddle of Mud. Good luck in grade 6!!!

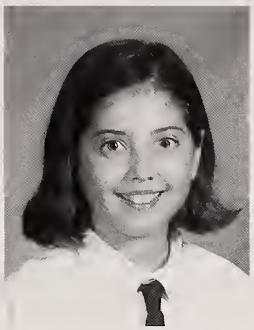
By Kerri Onotera

Tania Rankin-Friesen is a super friend. She is cat crazy! Tania has one cat of her own. She loves to go to movies with her friends and she likes to go shopping. Tania likes to talk on the phone and hang around with her friends after school. Tania does gymnastics and swimming. Shes really good at gymnastics. Her favorite colour is purple. Tania has been here since JK! Her birthday is May 6. Tania is a wonderful friend! Good luck in Middle School!

By Stephanie Webster

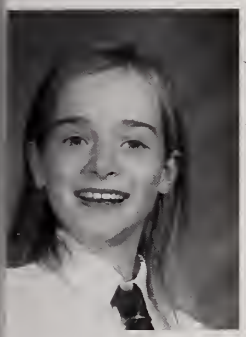
Kristine Ritchie is a nice person and a great friend. She is head of Ballater House this year. She has one pet, a bird named Chirpy and she also has a brother named Doug. She likes all kinds of sports, but her favourite is soccer. She is a very talented dancer. She takes musical theater, ballet and jazz. Her favourite color is green. She is a lifer at BH and has been here since Junior Kindergarten. She is always laughing and joking and is fun to be around. Good luck in Middle School, Kristine!

By Christine Guyot



Rebecca Sherba is in grade 5. She is ten years old, and her birthday is March 29, 1992. Rebecca has a 10 year old dog named Annie. Her favourite colours are purple and blue. She loves piano and Highland Dance. Her favourite food is tacos. Rebecca started at BH in Junior Kindergarten, and is planning to be a BH lifer. Rebecca is also the Library Prefect for 2002-2003. She enjoys the company of her many friends. She is in Glen Goirn. Rebecca is a risk taker. Good luck in grade 6, Rebecca.

By Kelsey Watchman



Madison Stewart is a very nice girl who has been at BH since JK. She was born on April 12th, 1992. Her favourite color is blue. She has a dog named Chelsea and a guinea pig named April-Elliot. Her favorite food is an Egg McMuffin. She has two brothers and a sister. Her brothers names are Bloke and Kaden. Her sisters name is Ashton. Maddie is the best figure skater ever. She also does kickboxing, volleyball and swimming. Maddie is a very fun girl and I hope she has a great time in grade six!

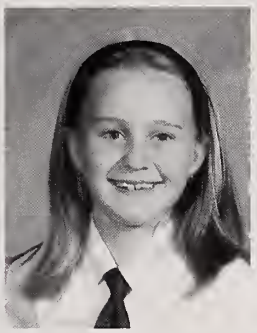
By Erika Ulrich

Hannah Stinson is a great friend. She was class president for first term. Her best friend is Judy Lee. She has one pet, a guinea-pig and his name is Cinnamon. Her favourite color is topaz and her favourite food is curry chicken. She loves to play baseball in the summer and go swimming at the Pan Am Pool. Her favourite singer is Avril Lavinge. She is a straight A student and is planning to be a lifer! Keep up your school spirit Hannah!

By Sarah Prendiville

Erika Ulrich is a new girl this year. She came from Grosse Ile School. Her new best friend is Jounty Morden. Freckles is Erikas lovable dog. She was born on Oct 17. She enjoys pizza and hockey. She plays centre for the Stonewall Blues. Her favourite colour is red. She is in Ballater. She has one brother who is 6. Her mom is a research coordinator and her dad is a computer programmer. In her spare time she loves reading and violin. She is AMAZING at it! She has her very own website: www.thefiddlegirl.com. Good luck in Gr. 6 Erika!

By Kristine Ritchie



Kelsey Watchman is 10 years old and was born on August 19. Her house is Craig Gowan. She has a Labrador Retriever named Katie. She is an only child and has a mom and a dad. Her favourite color is purple. She enjoys basketball. In fact, she plays on a team. Kelsey plays the piano and loves to eat cheese pizza. Its her favourite food. She is planning on becoming a BH lifer because she has been here since Kindergarten. She likes to play with her friends. Her best friends are Charlie Gray and Emily Campbell. Kelsey is a very kind and smart girl. Good luck in grade 6!

By Uzma Ahmed

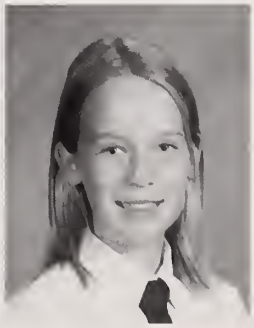
Maryann Watson is a ten year old girl who enjoys poetry and loves her dog Saxon. She has older twin brothers named Tom and Alec. Her mothers name is Rachael and her dads is Peter. In the future, Maryann would like to be a vet. Her favourite colours are lime green and baby blue. Maryann enjoys running and her favourite subject is Art. Her best friend is Sarah H. Her birthday is March 18.

Good luck in grade six!

By Charlie Gray

Stephanie Webster is a nice friend. She loves dogs. She has a dog named Scooter. She likes lots of sports. Stephanie is head of Braemar. She wants to be a veterinarian when she grows up. She has lots of friends at BH. Stephanie does highland dance, singing and she loves the water. She likes to hang around with her friends after school and talk on the phone! She loves shopping and going to movies. She likes to listen to music. Steph is a super nice friend. Good luck in Middle School!!

By Judy Lee



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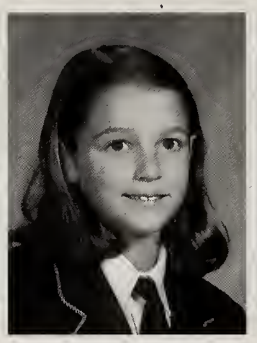

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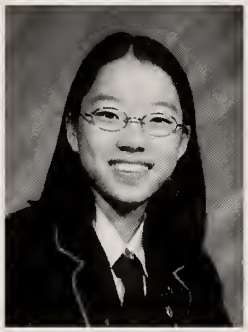

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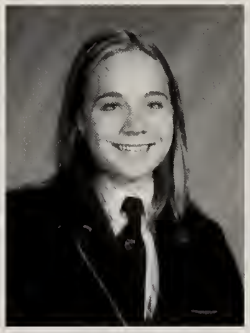

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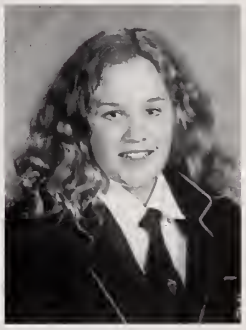

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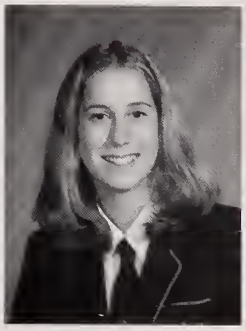

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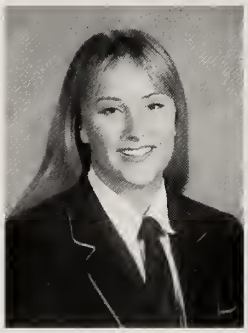

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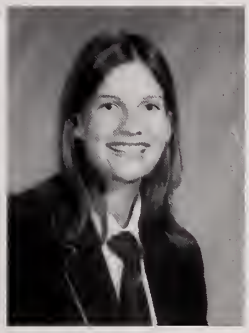

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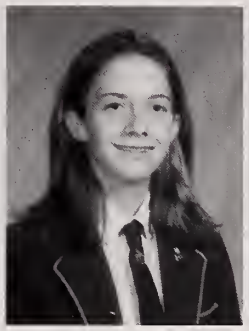

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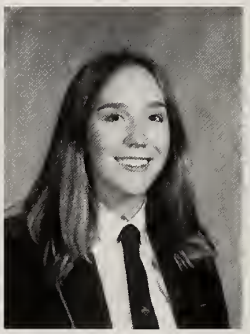

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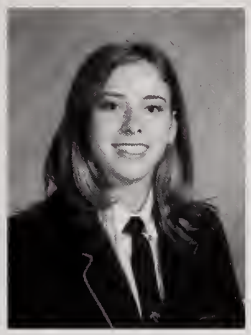

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Vanessa?!
Nice specs!

AMERICAN EAGLE

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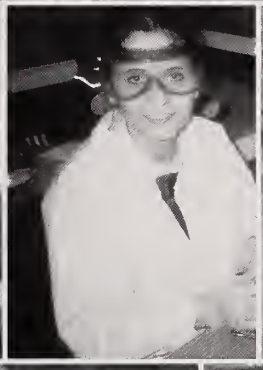

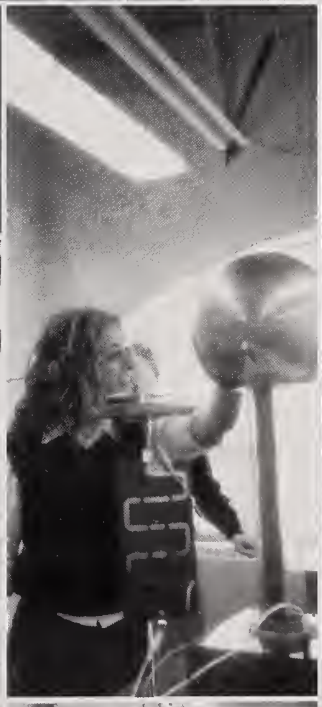

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Junior School

The IB program focuses on the many attitudes of the BH students. Kelsey Thain, Kimberly Tormon and Sarah Ali learn about "CARING"

Marikka Lee takes a ride from Marissa Fernando while playing outside at recess

In Junior School you learn alot about the right attitudes to have.
You're taught in a way that is fun, interesting and informative. You have a chance to do lots of interesting things and you can choose what you want to do and explore new interests.
The most important thing is you know your friends are always there for you and your teachers are really great!

I have the same goal I've had ever since I was a girl. I want to rule the world.
Madonna Louise Ciccione

Jr. School Prefects

A message from JS Head Girl, Madison Stewart

I have met many new faces. We've done many things such as mufti days, & spirit weeks! I don't want this year to end! You've all made the year such a success because everyone cooperated & was enthusiastic. Wait, those are attitudes. I almost forgot because I don't call them that anymore since they're such a huge part of my life! I would like to thank Mrs. Steek for being a great role model & supportive leader. We're fortunate to have the opportunity to go to BH. It truly is the best school imaginable! This year was for you. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did!

Junior School Prefects:

Head Girl: Madison Stewart

Ballater House Head: Kristine Ritchie

Braemar House Head: Stephanie Webster

Craig Gowan House Head: Alex Martin

Glen Gairn House Head: Sarah Prendiville

Library Prefect: Rebecca Sherbo

Computer Prefect: Toria Rankin-Friesen

Yearbook Prefect: Kerri Onotera

Girls in Green: Celina Brown

Above: Yearbook Prefect Kerri Onotera, Ballater House Head Kristine Ritchie, and Class President Hannah Stinson

Above: G.I.G. Editor Celina Brown, Yearbook Prefect Kerri Onotera, Computer Prefect Toria Rankin-Friesen, Library Prefect Rebecca Sherbo

Medieval Feast

Triptychs made by the Grade 3s tell the story of a day in the life of a person from feudal times

Above: Mrs. Fenton, Mrs. Naughton and parents anticipate the feast
Below: Laura Dyck-Chan, Lillie Cholakis and Courtney Parada-Leitao are dressed in Medieval style

In December 2002, the Grade 3 classes did a unit about medieval times called "Family Feud." The central idea of our unit was that ever since people began living in communities, there has been a need to establish systems to organize daily life. First we did some research, and then we each wrote a story about a person from medieval times. Next, we made our story into a triptych with our own paintings, and presented them in class. In our unit we learned about feudalism, which is the medieval system in which the king is at the top, then the nobles, the knights, and finally, the poor peasants. We did many other fun things, such as our medieval feast with delicious food such as chicken, "mead" (in medieval times that was wine with honey in it, but we did not have exactly that!), and for dessert a blueberry pie. We also had a medieval dance and did our version of a jousting tournament. Our "Family Feud" unit was lots of fun! By Hannah Scott & Bridget Bicknell

Clubs

Top left: Mrs. Peterer and Mrs. Knowles teach the Grade 5s embroidery
Top right: Grade 4s are busy at Art Club
Left: Grade 5s working at Art Club
Right: Grade 5s play Scrabble in Mrs. McFarlane's room

Fun Activities

Mrs. Faris's kindergarten class dress up for Halloween
Below: The MacDougalls enjoy the barbeque

Nap Time! Grade 1s are sleepy on pyjama day

Right: Stephanie Enns, Brooke Cochrane, Alli Knox and Alia Cappellani watch the juggler

Above: Students enjoy the crafts at the Mulvey Christmas Party

Above: Eva Downey and Alisa Borger assist Julia Cloutier in singing Christmas carols

Jillian Smith, Francesca Smith, Raffie Rosenberg, and Gracie Mann watch while Melissa Russell has her nails painted

Alexia Cholakis and Ella Thomson make snowmen at the Mulvey Christmas Party

Field Trips

he Grade 5s assemble with teachers Mrs. Peterer and Mrs. McFarlane upon entering Sandilands

Andrea Leong and Judy Lee at Sandilands Forest Centre

Alanna Flom and Jane MacDougall enjoy the music festival

arleigh Balciunas and Cody Keith at Fort Whyte after dipnetting

Meredith Chiu, Nadia Schriemer, Kaitlyn Scott

Kindergartens perform at Riverview Health Center

Yum! Kindergartens visit Bread and Circuses

Stephanie Webster, Andrea Leong, Christine Guyot, Judy Lee, Toria Rankin-Friesen at Sandilands

Grade 2 students ask questions of Mayor Glen Murray

Alex Martin, Emily Campbell, Jacqueline Pollard, Soo Yeon Kim, Jacklyn Prendiville on a field trip to Sandilands

Celina Penny, Kaitlyn Scott, Claire Hughes, Amanda Wong, Nadia Schriemer, Brynn Kagawa - Visentin, Madeleine Arbuckle, and Eva Downey

Jump Rope for Heart

A giant thank you to Kera Borodkin who put an amazing effort into organizing the Jump Rope for Heart event. Forms are accounted for, the music was great, and fun was had by all!
Thanks to all the participants, over $17,000 was raised! For a grand total of $248,385.91 over 20 years!

Vanessa Bermisa, Priya Kotecha, Anna Evans-Boudreau, Alia Cappellani, Nicole Van Hove, and Kathleen Kopp

Zoe Haber jumps rope with Alanna Flom and her mom

Demara Davidson, Kate Bouchard, Emily Kesselman, Brittany Reid, and Simran Singh, Grade 3

Robbert Viser tries his hand at skipping rope

Choirs

Grade 1 Choir

Grade 4-5 Choir

Grade 2-3 Choir

The Grade 1 Choir received a gold standing at the Winnipeg Music Festival. They were the recipients of the Annie Pullar trophy for the most outstanding classroom choir from grade K-3. They accepted an invitation to sing at the "Salute to Choral Excellence".
The Grade 2-3 Choir received a gold standing and Best Overall Performance in a class of 18 choirs at the Winnipeg Music Festival.
The Grade 4-5 choir received gold and Best Overall Performance in a class of 14 choirs at the Winnipeg Music Festival.
Congratulations girls for all your hard work!

Junior School Candids

Junior School

Heather Naughton as wizard "Readalot" at the I Love to Read Assembly "The Lords & Ladies of the Reading Rings"

Mrs. Naughton gives out the I Love to Read Award to Aurora Robert

Grade 4 students demonstrate their knowledge of yoga

Mrs. Geske and the JK class teach the audience about the solar system

Chiara Clemente, Jaclyn Flom and Sandhini Lockman smile after performing the Lyin' King

Grade 3s present to the audience what they value

JK class: "We are the Solar System"

Hannah Taylor's Teach and Tell on chameleons

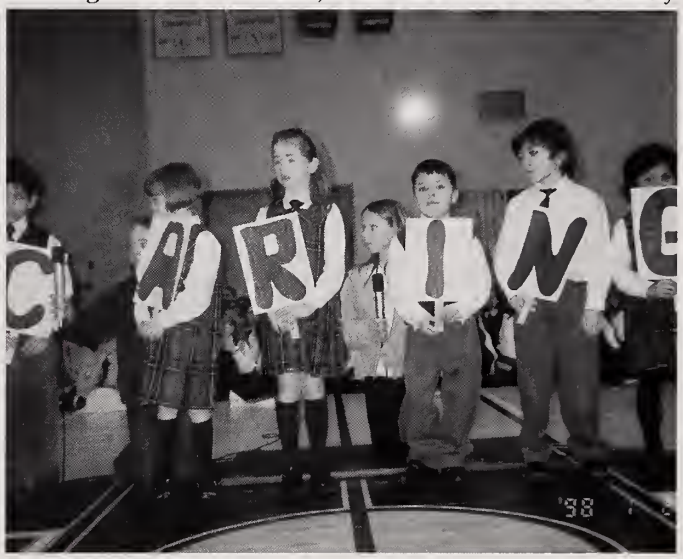
ASSEMBLIES

Judy Lee and Soo Yeon Kim present about their Korean heritage at the JS Cultural Assembly

"The Thinkers." The Grade 4's show the value of thinking

Kristine Richie, Sarah Prendiville, Kerri Onotera, & Alex Martin after the assembly

Junior School teachers sing a Gaelic song provided by Heather Naughton at the JS Cultural Assembly



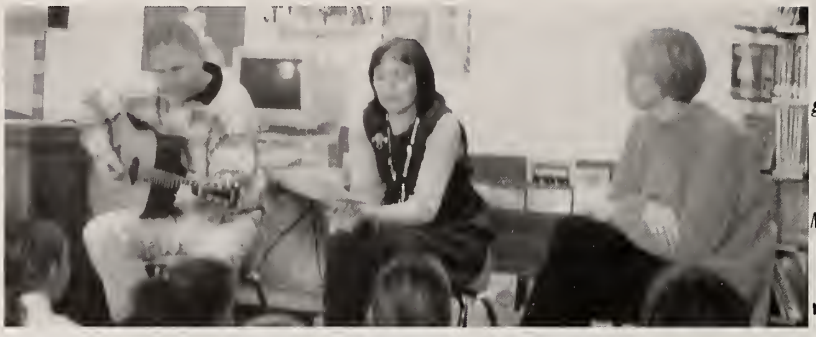
The Kindergartens share the importance of CARING

Kathryne Roller, Caelan Stephanson and Annick Beauchesne at the puppet assembly

Marcella Poirier is a special guest at the Kindergarten assembly

The audience of teachers, students and parents are enchanted by the show

Guests



Left: Paul and Susan Hammer with Heather Naughton. "A Stranger Came Ashore" Right: Haley Stacey and Madeleine Arbuckle and Grade 1 students experience what it feels like to be in a wheelchair

Far Left: Puppeteer Marcella Poirier entertains the Kindergarten class Left: Dr. Hugh Taylor makes a presentation to the Grade 5s Right: Ian Wallace, author and illustrator with JS students

Grandparents Day

Jayden Gauthier shows his grandparents his work

The Kindergarten class teaches their guests how to play on the teetertotter

Christine Harms spends quality time with her grandmother

Shelby Szarko, Paige Danowski, and Soo Yeon Kim enjoy Grandparents Day

The Junior School Choirs perform for the guests in the theatre

Snowmen

The Kindergarten class is at work on their snowman

A completed BH snowman

Samantha Moreau with her class's snowman

Holiday Concert

The Grade 4s smile before performing on the bells

All of Junior School stands to sing "Canoe in Your Heart"

Kelsey Thain, Luca Janzen and Shelby Sytnyk are really excited about the Concert

Mrs. Geske is fixing up Morgan Bell

The Kindergartens are ready to sing

Grade 5 Musical
The Emperor's New Clothes

Emily Campbell, Soo Yeon Kim, amd Allison Love

Shelby Szarko, Victoria Taylor, and Hannah Johnson

Megan Martins DaPonte, Jaunty Morden, and Erika Ulrich

Gracie Mann, Julie Yan, and Sydney Bicknell

Maryann Watson

Lights, Camera, Action

Once upon a time on June 5 the grade five graduation classes put on their outstanding performance of Hans Christian Andersen's The Emperor's New Clothes. The fairytale takes place in a medieval kingdom where the Emperor wanted to do nothing all day but try on clothes.

Like all good fairytales this one ends with a moral. Not only did the grade fives learn the moral they also displayed attitudes they have been learning monthly: co-operation; enthusiasm; commitment; team work and good old plain FUN!

Leaving Junior School

Dancing in the Atrium!

Gabrielle Nowakowski, Kelsey Watchman, Judy Lee and Hannah Stinson

Andrea Leong, Christine Guyot and Stephanie Webster check out the Maggie Pins

Yes, we are #1! clockwise: Rebecca Sherbo, Christine Harms, & Paige Danowski

Here we are!
The Grade 5 graduating class of 2003

Peek-a-boo! Uzma Ahmed, Alex Martin and Sarah Prendiville

Krystal Nguyen Hua receives her Maggie pin from Mrs. Steek and Mrs. Christie

Maryann Watson, Sarah Huminicki and Kelsey Watchman

Alex Martin, Sarah Prendiville, Jacqueline Pollard wait for the food

Jaunty Morden and Erika Ulrich who had played the Princess and the Prince

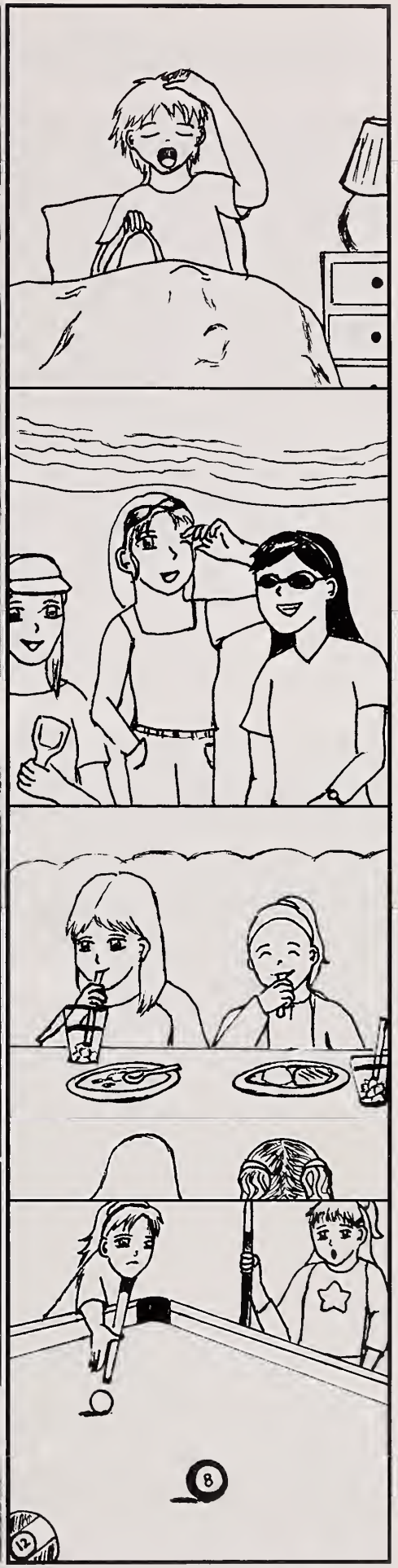
RESIDENCE

Carmen Hui introducing resident students during an International Fashion Show Assembly

Ms. Welch, Irene Li & Eri Sawai sharing a warm fuzzy on Valentine's Day

We had lots of rez activities, horseback riding rock climbing, paintball, festivals, concerts and so on... Everyone has learned how to live without parents, and to be independent...We have learned lots of different cultures as we have lots of people from different countries, Korea, Japan, China, Hong Kong, Canada, US, Saudi Arabia & Mexico... Although there have been quarrels and some sad situations, we have gotten over with them, we have learned some lessons such as how to behave in rez, how to think about other people and how to keep healthy and now we are happy with what we have done and what we have learned in rez.

A smile is the same in every language.
Author Unknown



MESSAGES

Tracy Smith

Director of Residence

To my rezzies

Some of you have only been here for one or two years, others have been here for over four years. Unfortunately, when you leave here, you will never see most of your fellow rezzies again. Fortunately, you will always have your memories.

Memories of the sleepovers, the paintball fights and water fights, the meals and movies, but most of all, you will remember those girls in residence that became your sisters, your friends, your confidantes. Whether you lived in residence for a short time or were here for all of your high school years, this place will forever be in your heart and your mind. There were many times when you wished that you weren't here and times when you fought with your roommate and wished you never knew them. There were also times when you couldn't imagine being anywhere else, where your roommate was your best friend.

I know that this may be the last time I see you. I have watched you grow into strong, beautiful and independent young women. I want you to know that I will miss you and love you and you will always be in my memories.

Love, Miss Smith

Carmen Hui

Residence Prefect

Starting as a stranger in grade 9 to the Residence Prefect of 2003, BH Residence has been my home sweet home for the past four years. Throughout these 4 years, I learned many important factors of life and met tons of supportive friends and teachers. This year has been one of the hardest and most challenging years at BH with the responsibility of being the Residence Prefect and keeping up with the loads of homework and books for the AP courses. But it is also one of the most rewarding experiences I have had at BH. Too bad we didn't have a broken waterpipe, otherwise we would have missed school for a day or two and could have gone to McDonalds for breakfast. Hahaha... A warning for all the rezzies returning next year: be prepared to get out of the shower at any minute, you never know when that thunder-like fire alarm will ring. Yep....it happened to me before with shampoo and bubbles still in my hair. (-_-) There are so many incredible and amusing incidents that happened during this year. I will treasure these wonderful memories in my heart. Good luck to all the residence students (be grateful for the rice cooker, I waited for 4 years to have it for 2 weeks) and all the best to Claire, Eriko and Meghan. I will miss you all very much!

Love, Carmen Hui

Why are you all wet, girls?! WATERFIGHT!

Jo-Lan learns Spanish from the Mexicans
Ana Noriega painting Marissa Fernando's face

Joyce, Jo-Lan, Lin & Carmen share a moment in thought
María Jose, Kayla and Kathy have fun in class

Woo Sun Ha and Vinci Tang frame the perfect picture of friendship

Kitty Ye, Susanna Cheung, Jessica Chong, Vinci Tang, Katy Kwan, and Jo-Lan Chen have fun at Grand Beach

Out at the Avril Lavigne Concert and a school concert by Rachel Cho and Joyce Choi
Thanksgiving Dinner with Mentor Moms; Mrs. Robinson, Riya Ganguly, Mrs. McGhie, Stephanie Han, Claire Han, Ms. Alto, & Mrs. Batista; Teressina Oñate with Mrs. Pigden; Julia Faesser & Meghan Fejes

Global Awareness

In the Residence Cultural Assembly, the international students taught the school many things about their cultures, at home in Rez, they also learned many things about each other

It's A Small World

Residence is a wonderful place to learn about different cultures, friendships, traditions, personalities and responsibilities to each other and the world

TOGETHERNESS

Residence students share their cultures and experiences

Halloween MUFTI Day saw many new faces among the Rezzies

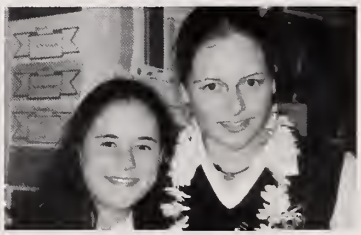
Claire Pennington from England

GAP students, Claire Pennington and Anna Kelso came to gain experience and provide guidance

Anna Kelso from Australia

Left: Ms. Welch, Irene Li and Dawn Bergen

Right: Michelle Aizpuru and Rossana Rios Castilla



Left: Fun at Grand Beach!

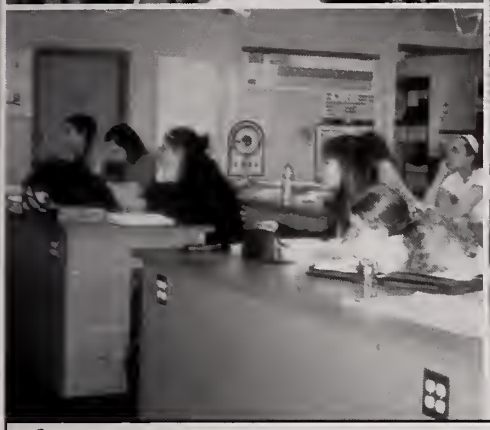
Right: Anna Kelso, Claire Pennington, Rebecca Lechinan, Dawn Bergen and Tracy Smith get ready to order

Middle and Senior School

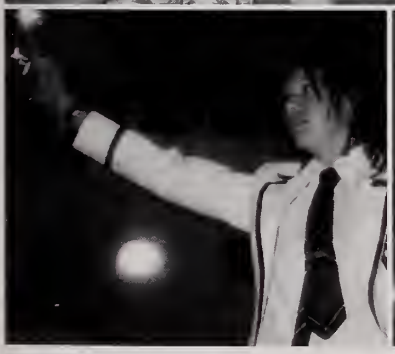
Diana King guiding grade 3 students during a grade 11 and grade 3 animation class

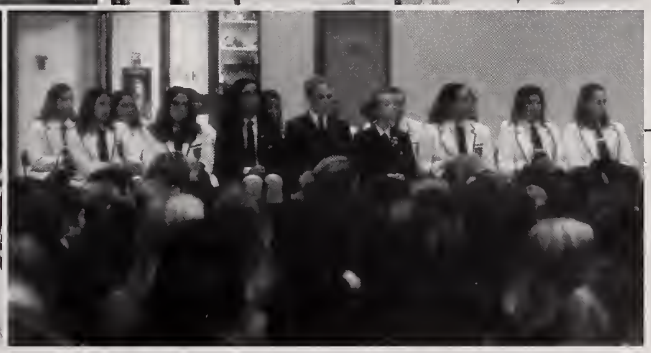
Vanessa Mancini working the sound and lights for the production "Kaleidoscope"

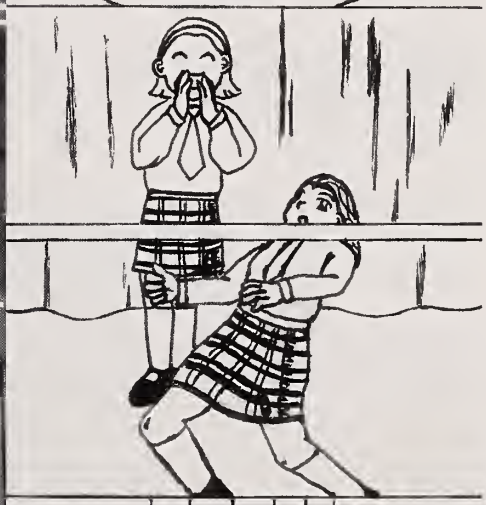
Time of your life . . . thats what middle and senior schoool is supposed to be. This year it was no different. The students were full of life and BH spirit! The girls all did well academically and had fun while doing it. The Middle and Senior Councils both ensured that there were important and exciting activities for the students to take part in such as Interhouse, the Dating Game, different themes for mufti days, WINS week, dances and more! This year was a success by working hard and showing everyone just what a BH girl should be!



It is one of the blessings of old friends that you can afford to be stupid with them.
Ralph Waldo Emerson







Student Leadership

Left: Saskia Hoogstraten and Claire Dickson bond as members of Team Toba at the Canadian Student Leadership Conference in Regina

Right: From left to right: Deidre Santos, Saskia, Jamie Lee, Claire, Julia Cloutier, and Dana Delapenha-Dobbin enjoy a delicious dinner

Left: From left to right: Jamie, Julia, Claire, Dana, Deidre and Saskia are all dressed up and pose with advisor, Ms. Welch

Right: From left to right: Riya Ganguly, Kristi Marie Guzda, Laura Lemon and Nathania van Kuik Fast after the banquet at the Manitoba Student Leadership Conference

W.I.N.S. Week

Right: Grade 6 students Rebecca Asper, Madison Lee, and Kalika Hoogstraten smile after slurping Jello and whipped cream during WINS week

Left: New students challenge the limbo while other students wait to try a harder level

Right: Kristi Marie Guzda cleans up Jello when the lunch hour is over

Left: Kristina Robison, Stefania Campanelli, Julie Klein, Barbie Rosenberg and Kathleen Skinner cheer on the new students

Grandparents Day

Above: Megan McFadden smiles with her grandmother
Right: Emilie Anderson-Gregoire and her grandparents sit while enjoying musical performances by a number of BH students

Above: Chelsea Chimilar enjoys the afternoon with her grandparents

Above: Grandparents, students and staff enjoy refreshments in the atrium

The Snowman Contest

Right: Grade 6 students start work on their snowman
Below: The Grade 7 class gathers around their snowman

Below: Katrina Maksymyk, Michelle Maryk and Dany Theberge

Below: Students get creative with uniform pieces, coloured ice and sticks to create an authentic BH snowman

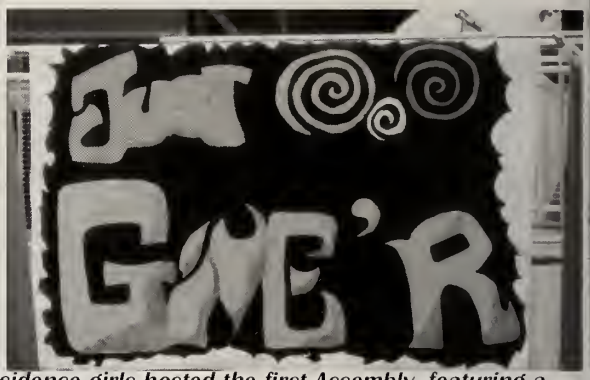
BH Assemblies

Claire introduces the year's Theme: Bring It

Above: Claire Dickson and Kristi-Marie Guzda dance during the opening assembly

Above: The new prefects kick off the year with a cool dance

Below: Theme for Term 1



Left: Welcoming Dr. Tomita from Shizuoka Eiwa

Below: Winners of the Manitoba Historical Society's Young Historians Competition

This year, the Assemblies focused on Multicultural and International themes. The Residence girls hosted the first Assembly, featuring a fashion show as well as dances by a number of different cultural groups. Middle School also got in on the fun by putting on the Home for the Holidays Assembly in which a number of MS students shared the background and history of the special holidays that they celebrate. To show the skills and knowledge that they have gained, Junior School students used skits to teach the audience about their values, and how those values will aid them in Middle School. Finally, Senior School organized the last International Assembly, during which students presented skits on cultural heritage, a residence girl's experience in Canada, and much more. All in all, these assemblies opened our eyes to different cultures and taught us more about our own. By Nathania van Kuik Fast

Carmen Hui and May Yung introduce the next performers

Susanna Cheung models ethnic clothing

Asian residence girls pose in traditional costume

Rachel Cho in traditional Korean dress

The Mexican students pose after performing a Mexican dance during the Multicultural Assembly

Emiko Kosaka wearing a Yukata (a casual Kimono)

Students in traditional Indian dress get together for a picture after performing a dance

Sharing Culture

The Grade 11s perform a reader's theatre showing the horrors of war at the Remembrance Day Assembly

The Grade 11 class with teacher Mr. Warriner, who organized the Assembly, gather around the Remembrance Day wreath

Above: Kate Langrell plays the piano for the Holiday Assembly

Below: MS students show off holiday colours

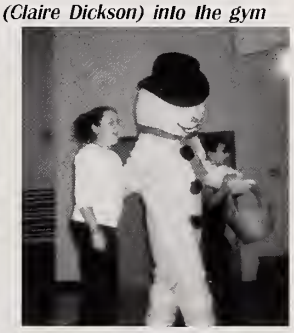
Above: Artwork by Carmen Hui was featured on the Remembrance Day Assembly program

Below: Shannon Bahuaud's holiday drawing appeared on the Holiday Assembly program

Above: Sophie Berkal-Sarbit and Rachel Cosman wait while Shereen Samimi presents

Below left: Sophie sings Candle in the Night

Below right: Rebbecca Asper and Nora Grieve escort "Frosty", (Claire Dickson) into the gym

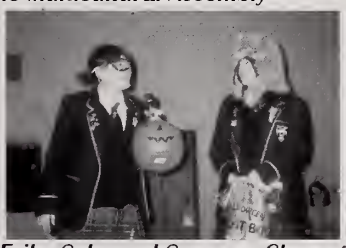


The Residence students sing "It's a Small World" in their native languages at the Multicultural Assembly

The S3 and S4 Spanish classes enjoy a traditional Spanish meal

Kristine Wilson, Baillie Klein and Jen Dyck-Sprout perform a skit about Jewish History

Jo-Ian Chen writes a letter home

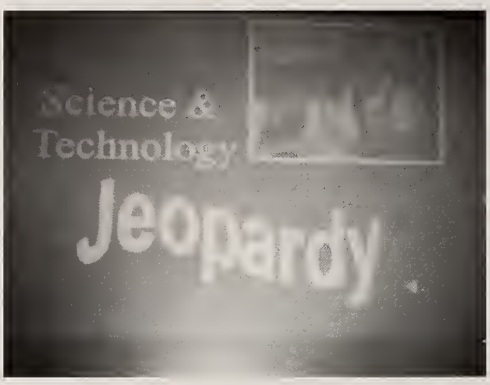


Eriko Seko and Susanna Cheung act out a Canadian Halloween

Connie Bermudez and Christine Siddall present a scene from Romeo and Juliet

Mrs. Greenhill takes part in a skit

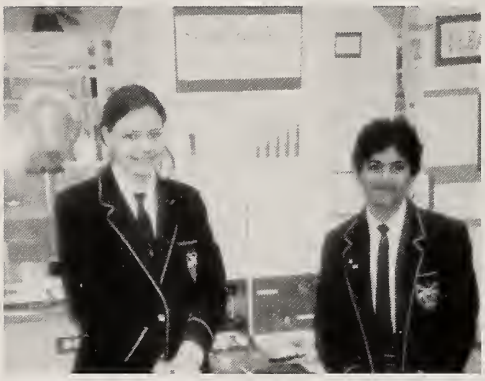
Experiencing Science



Jeopardy comes to the Sifton Family Theatre

Celebrity judges: Mrs. Shyka, Mr. DeBlonde, Mrs. Trickett, Ms. Kirk and Mrs. Christie

The audience cheering on the contestants



Jessica Summers and Seema Rao with their project called "What Spark?"

Science & Technology Week

Students attempted to win house points by participating in lunch time Jeopardy Games. Questions focused on Science knowledge and trivia. 'It's Thursday' for that week included a Science crossword puzzle to hand in for house points. The Monday morning assembly's kick-off for the week included Mrs. Sumerlus moving back and forth across the stage on the Physics air-powered chair. Test yourself- What is the name of the nuclear reactor that was developed in Canada and has been sold to a number of world countries? (Candu reactor)

Valerie Beynon and Kendra McBain had a tasty project called "Poppin' Popcorn"

Field Trips

The AP Biology class experiences live science on a field trip to the Fort Whyte Centre

Katie Reynolds

Teressina Oñate

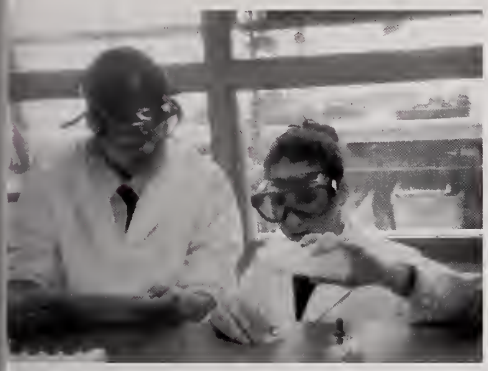
The Grade 11 Biology class visits the Pulmonary Function Lab at the Children's Hospital

In Many Ways!

The Grade 11 Biology class shares a science lab with Grade 5 students

Students in all levels get valuable hands-on experience

Science is Fun!



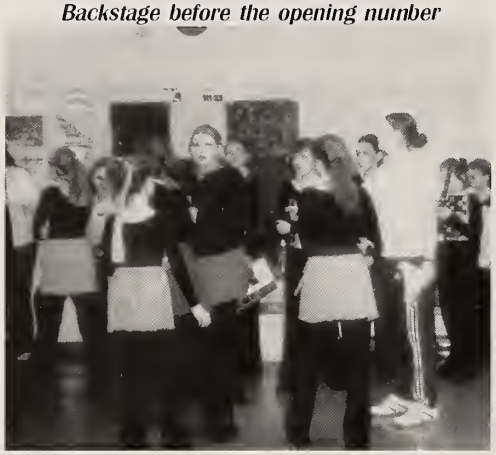
<u>Manitoba Science Symposium Winners</u>
Back Row: Leah Werier, Kathryn Marcynuk, Emilie Anderson-Gregoire, Jessica Summers, Torrey MacTavish, Jasmine Fernando
Front Row: Natasha Zloty, Sarah Scott, Talia Glodjo, Sarah Weirich, Seema Rao, Nora Grieve, Alannah Matte, Alana MacDougall, Kendra McBain, Valerie Beynon, Laura Sutherland

Middle School

Mrs. Clarke's homeroom waiting for their cue

Mrs. Bourbonnais plays make-up artist with Ming Kyung Choi

Backstage before the opening number



The Middle School Kaleidoscope production was a collaboration of various talents brought to you by the school student body. Performances that were showcased included gymnastics, dancing, ballet, singing and hip hop dance. All students participated in one way or another, whether it was on stage or behind the scenes. There was so much effort put into this show. Most people saw the finished product but what they didn't see was the many weeks spent preparing. The show ran for 3 nights and was a huge success! All the hard work paid of in the end!

by Diane Den and Leah Werier

Below: "This One's All for You"

Shannon, Erin, and Kate perform "Only Hope"

Megan Da Silva displays her flexibility

Grade 7s in "9 to 5"

Ericka Rankin Friesen & Chelsea Chimilar

Jillian Smith

M.C.s Taylor & Leah

"Runaway Bride"

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Grade 6s perform "Material Girl"

Kathleen Skinner under a bridge of grade 8s in "Man, I feel like a woman"

Mila Panaskevich's "Don't Cry" performed beautifully

Lauren Smerchanski & Madison Lee hip hopping

"Hooked on Ally"

Intermediate dancers in "I Love Rock n' Roll"

The girls of 8-02 give an energetic ending to Kaleidoscope performing "Stop"

Madelaine Stefanik, Michelle Aizpuru & Sonja Fedikov perform "Man, I Feel Like A Woman"

Chelsea Chimilar & Ericka Rankin Friesen, sweet & tough in Sk8ter Boi

"A Thousand Miles" performed by Olivia Zaporzan & Kate Langrell was worth the trip

Jane Da Sol Kim woos the audience with a Korean love song

Jillian Smith "Gets the Party Started" with a performance of her own choreography

Quirky Quotes

Ms. Kirk to AP Chemistry class- We seem to be moving very slowly- maybe we should add a catalyst.

Mr. DeBlonde- *Girls, can you do that on your calculator?*
AP Physics class to Mr. DeBlonde- *Do it in your head!*

Mrs. McDonald- *I have the Safari Max Steele doll... No, my son has the Safari Max Steele doll.*

Mrs. Alexander- *You girls are free to go, and remember that we're doing drugs tomorrow.*

Mr. Kowbel- *Shhh... The baby's sleeping.*

Hersha Goldberg- *I can't afford a house so I'm going to live in a box on the street.*
Mrs. McDonald- *And I'll throw bread at you.*
Hersha- *And I'll wear designer shoes like Manolo Blahnik and Jimmy Choo...*

Lyndsey Wallis- *I like to talk to Mrs. Friesen 'cause I feel so tall.*

Mrs. Greenhill- *I didn't mean it like that you little perverts!*

Mr. Warriner- *Girls, don't trust each other.*
Hayly Smerchanski- *Yeah, they're just out to steal our men.*

Mrs. Friesen to S2s- *I just like to torture you! (and giggles hysterically)*

Carmen Hui to Mr. Deblonde- You're making all this up!

Crazy Comments

Mr. DeBlonde when discussing a test-
I don't know, I'm going to... muahahahahahaha!

Hayly Smerchanski-
I have so much junk in my bag! (pulls out a manual can opener)

Mr. DeBlonde to S3 Physics class-
Are you girls weird or is it just me?

Laura Lemon-
I want to be a baby-making machine!

Jen Dyck-Sprout in Physics- *All these things I've been trying to memorize when all I had to do is understand!*

Kaitlin Briggs-
I would like Midget Land, cuz I would be the tallest person there.

Katie Reynolds-
European History is eating me away slowly from the inside...

Riya Ganguly- *When I get my English exam back, I'm going to throw it on the ground and wait for an angry duck to eat it!*

In the computer room the S1 Business and Tech class is at work.
Jamie DesJarlais-
Ms. Smith, Marissa's eating by the computers.
Ms. Smith- *As long as it keeps her mouth shut, I say keep on feeding her!*

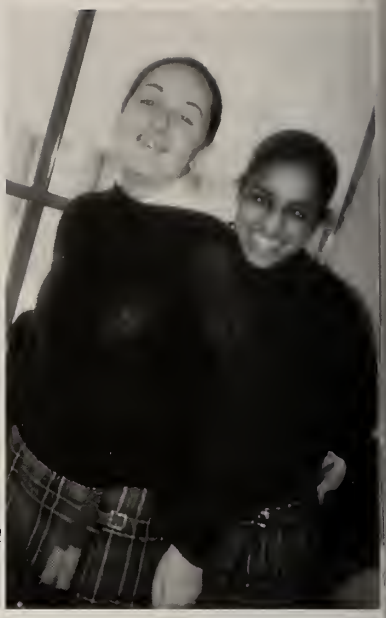
Vanessa Mancini-
I didn't lose it. I'm just looking for it.

Camera Day

Left: Best Teacher? submitted by Hersha Goldberg

Right: The Place to Be (every morning!) submitted by Katie Reynolds

Left: Best Friends submitted by Lyndsey Wallis
Right: Spirit of BH (Working Together) submitted by Hersha Goldberg



Spanish Camp

Vanessa Mancini and Jaime Rosin learn about and make clay castanets

Counselors from Argentina and Colombia discuss the European Union with campers

On April 11th, six S2 and S3 students hopped in Señora McDonald's van, and headed off to Concordia Language Villages' *El Lago del Bosque* for a weekend of activities in Spanish Immersion. During the weekend, we all called each other by our new Spanish names, which we chose ourselves and enjoyed activities such as soccer, volleyball, crafts, bead making, cooking, and dancing. Prizes were awarded for speaking *mucho español.* We learned quite a bit about Spanish culture, and *La Unión Europea* (the European Union, which was the theme of the weekend). The theme could also have been Shakira's *Ojos Asi*, considering how many times we listened to it in the van. The cooks served a variety of Spanish and European dishes, all of which were amazing. The highlights of the weekend were probably the banquet, dance, and the representation of the tradition of burning Las Fallas on Saturday night. It was a great experience! Brietta "Marisol" O'Leary

Cheryl Woodward, goalie, sends the ball out to Maria Schultz in a soccer game

Marta Alphonso wins a discoglobo for speaking "Mucho Español"

Dances

Above: The band, Rainside, performs at the BH dance
Below: Rainside signs some autographs

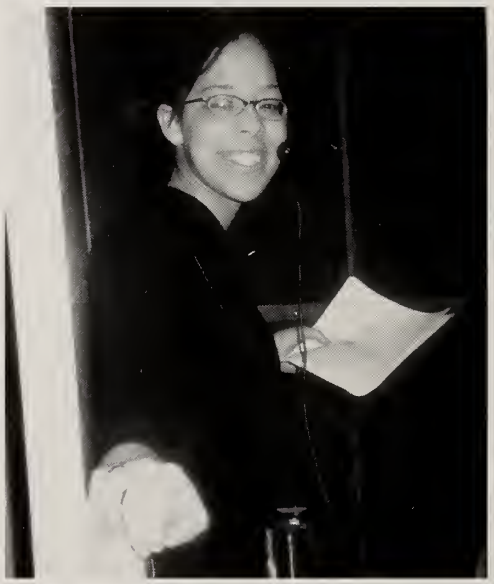
Above: Lauren Smerchanski, Madison Lee and Leanne Glass enjoy the dance

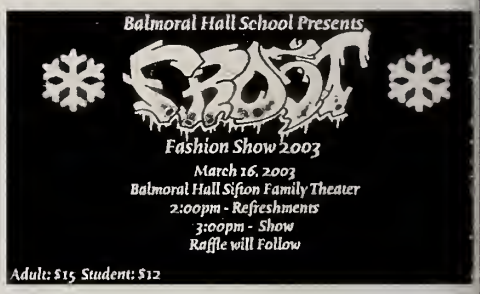
Above: Alannah Matte showing off her moves
Below: Michelle Aizpuru, Mariana Diez, Alejandra Cervantes, and Ana Noriega make a new friend

Fashion Show - Frost

Clockwise from above: Petra Gyles and Christy Kolt show off their amazing style; the opening run of the show; "Frost" co-ordinators, Mara Kipnes, Kyla Belton, and Danielle Weidman; Dana Delapenha manning the backstage area; Woo-Sun Ha and Vinci Tang

Above: The real party is backstage! The crew laughs it up





Far left: Jen Dyck-Sprout and Laura Lemon make sure the backstage area stays organized
Left: Deidre Santos and Amanda Huminicki wait for their turn in the spotlight
Above: MCs Lauren Seaman and Jane Polak Scowcroft

Halloween

Cleo Morden, Lauren Kemp and Arden Alfonso show their school spirit.

Pump"twins" Jamie DesJarlais and Marissa Ataliotis.

Mrs. Flackman & Mrs. Sammons dressed as Paul Stanley and Gene Simmons from Kiss.

Halloween! The day that everyone looks forward to....and this year was no exception. The halls of Balmoral Hall were filled with witches, wizards, doctors, clowns, brides, teachers dressed as students, etc. The amount of participation and enthusiasm was astounding and welcomed. This year, the students were allowed to dress up their teachers which led to some very creative ideas, among those were kangaroos, males dressed as females, members of Kiss and many more. At lunch, Junior School put on a costume parade for everyone where the J.S. teachers did a western style dance! In the afternoon, the Middle and Senior school homerooms had a portion of the gym to decorate and the ideas ranged from Mr. Richardson's Pumpkin Display to the grade 12's scary ensemble. The students were treated to candy apples and cider as a DJ played great tunes. All together the day was a huge success! By Kiran Dhillon

Team Canada volleyball players Dana, and Jen with their laundry basket, Julia

A Winter Getaway

Teressina Oñate and Connie Bermúdez hit the slopes

Karla Cuenca, Teressina Oñate, Claudia Müller Moran, Jane Kim and Katie Haber warm up in the lodge

Left: Hayly Smerchanski bundled up against the cold

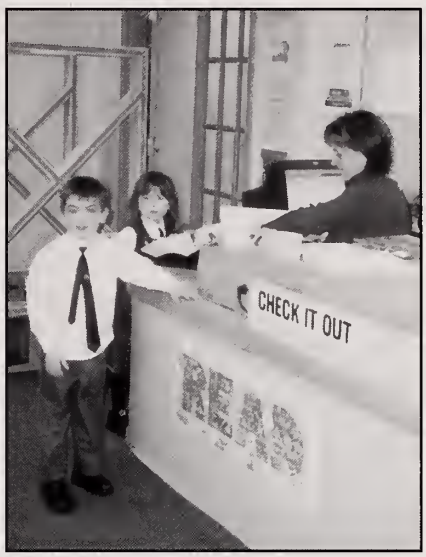
Right: Karla Cuenca at the hill

Brittaney Santos, Lexie Stein, Brynn Macek, Hayly Smerchanski, Lana Belton and Caroline Swystun

Below: Brittaney Santos takes a look at the descent

Below: Caroline Swystun finds a treat

A Quiet Cove



Top Left: Resource based learning: Gr. 6s take flight with Mrs. Christie and Mrs. Warriner
Top Center: A chance to vote for your favourite Canadian author
Top Right: Eric Huebner & Emma Gallant "Check it out" with Mrs. Tammy McBain

Left: Winners of our Book Fair, Ashley and Brittany Reid, pose with Mrs. Reid
Right: Book Fair mascot: "Pink Panther" (Allison Pigden)

Bottom Far Left: Mrs. Naughten and the Junior School Library Prefect Rebecca Sherbo
Bottom Left: from left to right: Julia Evancio, Mrs. Emily Warriner and Alana Hannaford demonstrating during "Magic in the Middle"
Bottom Right: Busy book fair shoppers and parent volunteers
Bottom Far Right: The Scholastic Book Fair is a great place to browse and read a new book

MUFTI DAYS

Above: BH girls have a picnic in the Atrium
Below: Attack of the Clones - Rachel Cosman and Sophie Berkal-Sarbit

Above: Mrs. Trickett's class taking a well deserved nap!
Below: Seeing Triple? Vanessa Heron, Megan McFadden and Mrs. Goldberg

Above: Kyla Caners, Lauren Seaman and Christy Kolt Stripes Forever!
Below: Grade 8s dress in red and white.

The Common Room put to good use

The ants go marching.... Grade 8s have a picnic

Out of Uniform

Kristine Wilson: The weather outside is frightful...

This coffee break has taken an unexpected turn.....

Maria Schultz, Katie Reynolds and Marta Alphonso show off their Canadian pride

Three's a crowd - Macy Morden, Cathy Guyot and Rachel Cosman

Grade 11 - The comfiest lounge act in town!

Grade 6s Pretty in Pink

Katie Haber poses for the camera

Valentine's Day fun!

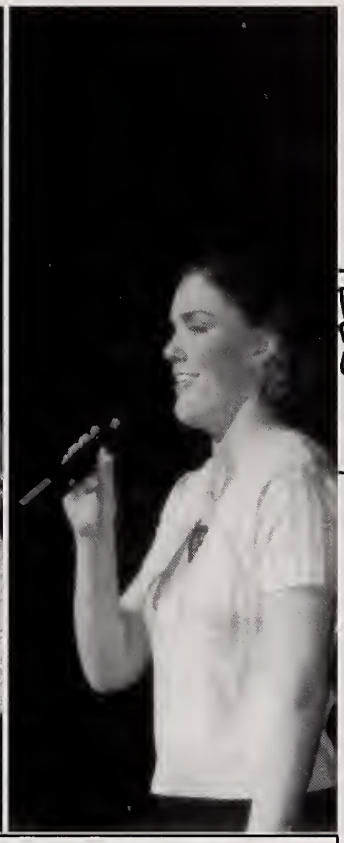
Diane Den and Kate Langrell, just rolled out of bed

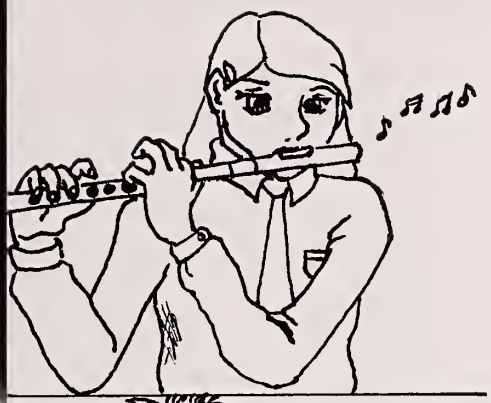
Creative Talents

Self portrait by Carmen Hui (S4)

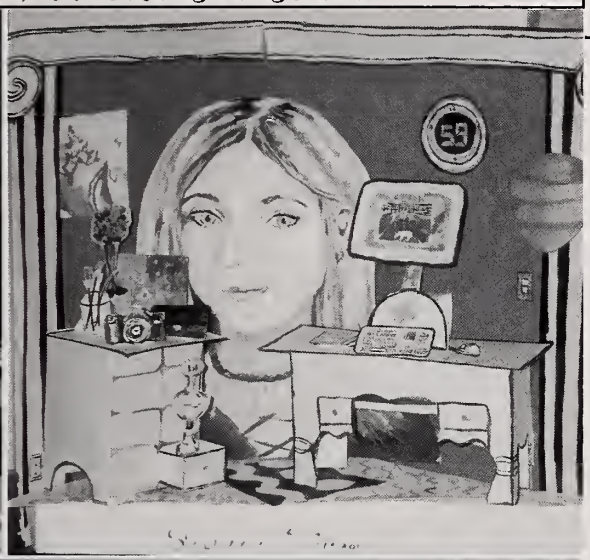
Mrs. Sheps and Mr. Kowbel represented according to "American Gothic" by Lin Jeong (S2)

The Arts Program is, without a doubt, an important component in finding oneself. It enables students to express themselves, whether it is through studio art, choir, band, or musical theatre. It is a way of showing personality and traits that may differ from person to person. The most encouraging aspect is the feeling of completion and continual hard work that goes into each production, song composition or piece of artwork. This year has been enjoyable and promising, keep up the great work girls!





Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time.
~Thomas Merton, 'No Man Is an Island'



Studio Art

Jian Fang trying to keep the paint on the canvas! Senior 4 Self-Portrait Project

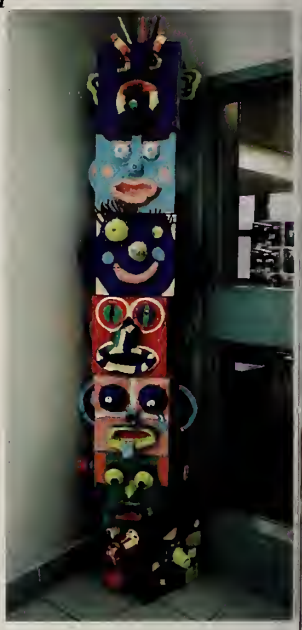
Above: Self Portrait by Jade Ngai and Pencil Protrait by Susanna Cheung (S3 students)

One of this year's major projects included a self portrait using a famous artist's unique style. By recognizing this particular style, one is able to understand and distinguish between other artists' styles, thus increasing their knowledge in art history. Creating a self-portrait using Rembrandt's style in oil paints was an exceptional experience, allowing me to fully understand him as an artist and also expressing myself at the same time. This undertaking was definitely an opportunity and hopefully recurs next year. By Carrie Rothwell

Self Portrait Project by Carrie Rothwell (S4)

How does your face compute?

Portraits work done using a digital camera by Grade 8s



Below: Self Portrait Project by Meghan Fitzpatrick (S3)

Grade 6 students create a Kaleidoscope Design connecting to the musical production

Pen and Ink Numbers by Grade 6 students

Left: Photo Montage Projects by Woo Sun Ha (S4), Vanessa Heron (S3) and Hayley Alfonso (S3)

Below: "After American Gothic" by Jaya Nowlin (S2)

Monumental Sculpture Project - "Slurpee" by Margo Chia, Grace Kennedy, Julie Klein, Kristina Robison (Grade 8s)

Arts Prefect Message

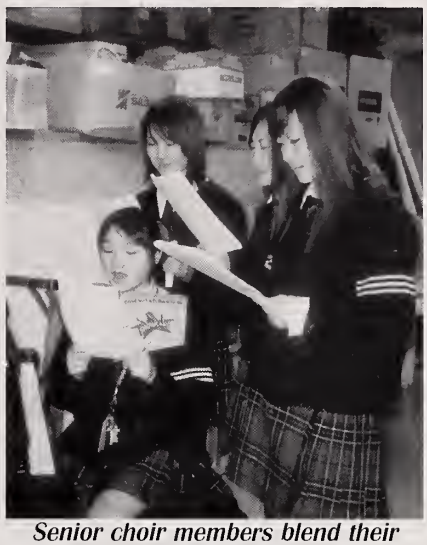
I'd like to begin this by saying that art is great! I absolutely believe that art itself is what makes the world interesting. Art is the creativity we produce in our everyday lives. It's all around us; on television, in art galleries, scrawled on the sides of buildings and railroad cars, even hanging from telephone wires. The great thing is that everyone can do it, even if it doesn't come naturally. Art is something everyone can enjoy with a little creativity. I appreciate the many different types of art. My experiences in those different types are due to our incredible arts program. It's been a great year for the arts department. The main reason why I've always been so interested in the arts is because it really gives me a chance to express myself. My favorite part of the year was our musical. I remember that just 3 years ago I was too shy to even sing in front of my friends. I learned something very important. If you want to succeed, you have to try. If you don't show people your talents, they'll never know of them. People who try are never failures, it's the people who never try who end up losing. My advice to students is to fully take advantage of our many arts programs. I don't think you will regret taking any of them. I had an amazing time helping to plan the various events. It's not easy saying goodbye to something that's been a major part of your life for so long. To my fellow graduates: you all are great people and I wish you the best. I want to end with one quote that sums up my feelings right now: "I hope you've had the time of your life". I know I have.
Love Always, Jamz (Jamie Lee)

Above: A scene from the Senior School Musical, "Kaleidoscope"

Jamie Lee sings "Our Day Will Come"

Below: Samples of Jamie's artwork

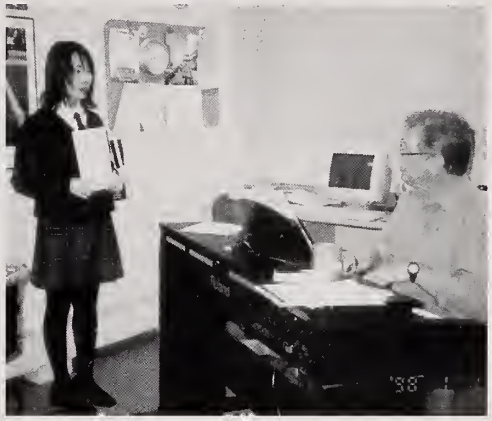
Choir and Band



Senior choir members blend their voices in song

Above: Shanleigh Thomson performs on her saxophone

Nadine Lowes in clarinet practice



Mr. Budolowski tests Stephanie Wang's singing ability

Above: Kathryn Marcynuk and Leah Metcalf at band practice
Above center: Middle School band members are ready to go
Right: The Advanced Wind Ensemble during Kaleidoscope; from left to right: Shanleigh Thomson, Katie Moore, Kathryn Marcynuk and Leah Metcalf

Kate Ye Won Moon playing the cello

KALEIDOSCOPE

Baillie Klein, Stephanie Ataliotis, Allison Pigden, and Lana Belton all made up for the show
Bottom right: Sisters... sisters!

Sisters! The whole cast poses after the opening number

Above: "Our mamas say... you can't hurry love"
Below: "Spirit Fingers!"

Vanessa Mancini and Jamie Rosin listening for important backstage information

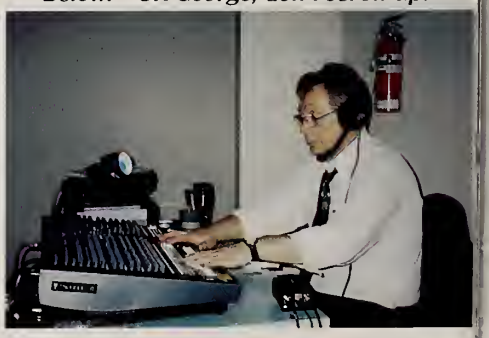
Jan. 30th- Feb. 1st, students in the musical theatre course were finally able to showcase their talent and work. We spent hours since September working extremely hard on choreography, songs lyrics and how to put character into our performance. The musical brings hard work, a fabulous performance and also friendships. The musical is filled with hours at the school getting our sweatpants dirty on the stage, different kinds of SUBWAY sandwiches, laughs and bonding. "Bonding" with your fellow castmates is one of the most special things about being a part of the musical. Mr. Bud and Ms. Dow directed and choreographed the show, along with their dedicated "side kick", Mrs. Sheps. We were also fortunate to have such an awesome back stage crew as well as our "techies" in the booth. Teamwork is what truly makes a show come together. The musical is an extremely fun time and it is rewarding to share our talents and hard work.
By Allison Pigden

"A little heart and soul..."

Nessa Werier, Emily Masson, Baillie Klein, Allison Pigden, Mirian Marcus, Claire Dickson, Samantha Brooker - friendships solidified

"We're dancing!" in perfect form

Top: "I wonder if I'll make it..." Danielle Weidman, Alicia Haber and Nessa Werier
Below: "OK George, don't screw up!"



A Showcase of Talent

Mylène Gamache, Christine Siddall, Tatiana Murray and Kiran Dhillon sitting, waiting, looking pretty

Are you ready boots?

We're Black... we're White... MJ's in the house! Mylène Gamache, Christine Siddall, Tatiana Murray and Lauren Stone are ready to go on stage

Claire Dickson: "Who invented high heels and why?!"

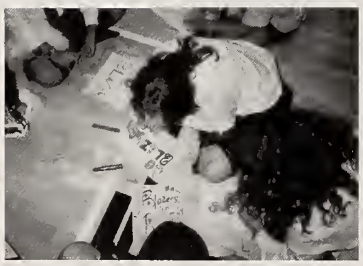
Lights... music... smiles... notes

Smile... Clap... Woohoo!

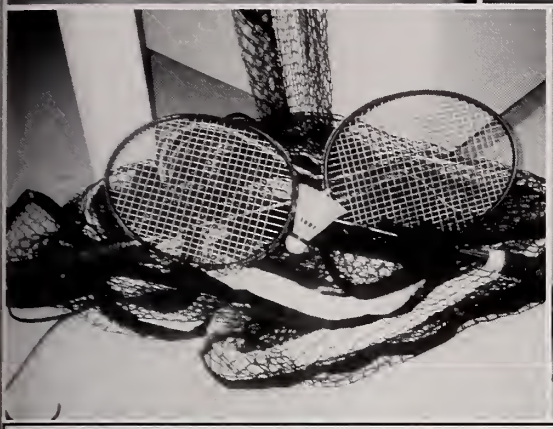
Sports

Diedre Santos rocks on the curling rink

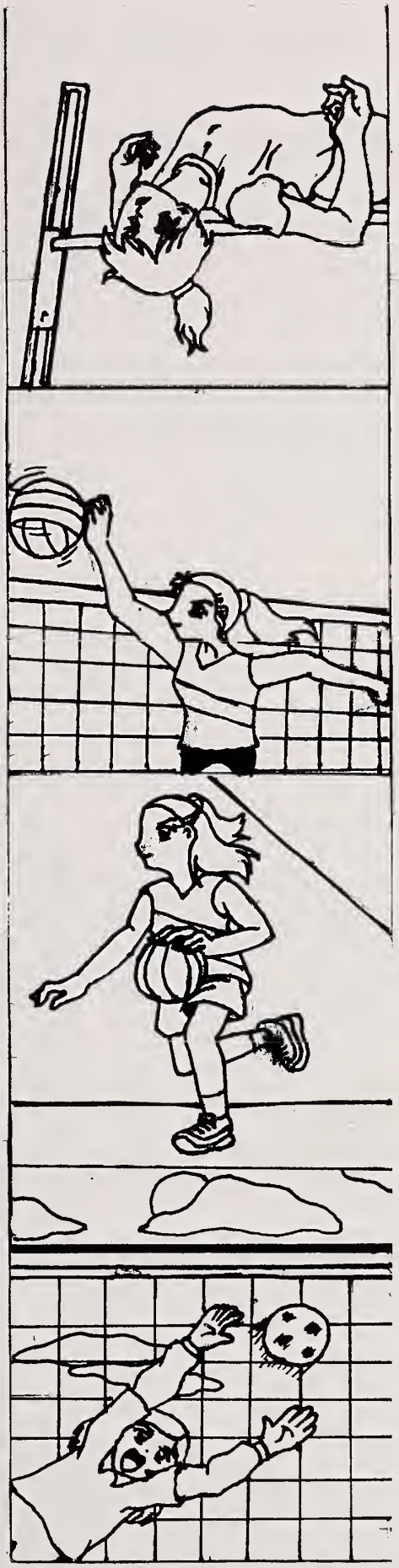
Julie Pagura and Brittany Cawson keep score for a varsity girls volleyball game



From volleyball to curling, athletics has allowed everyone at BH an opportunity to channel their energy in a positive way. The most important aspect of athletics at BH is that it promotes healthy attitudes and encourages self-confidence because everyone can contribute, whether as a player at interhouse, on a team, or as a fan in the stands. BH athletic programs are gaining popularity as more and more students are realizing the numerous benefits of physical activity.



The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary.
~ Vidal Sassoon



HOUSE HEAD MESSAGES

To My Pooh Crew! You are the loudest (haha) and, definitely the proudest house! We are without a doubt the Pooh! (As Natalie used to say!) Thanks to each of you for the awesome amount of spirit & participation you had...ALWAYS! We showed the others who NOT to mess with! Let it be known, we may be a small house but the bigger you are, the harder you fall! Glen Gairn's red hot, we'll show you what we got! You've made my last year at BH the most memorable! The fun, the spirit and the memories I will keep forever! Let's not forget the It's Thursday interhouse, (we have the brains!) the BH Winter Olympics, (we have the team spirit!) and of course spirit week!Need I say more!.? The best memory was your generosity and concern for our charity, the Mennonite Central Committee. From our first house meeting to the day we had over thirty health kits collected, you didn't hesitate to lend a hand - I thank you! Glen Gairn, you should be proud of such an awesome and rewarding year! To the other house heads, Saskia, Christy, and Riya, thanks for the insane fun! To Dana, a wicked job on keeping the interhouse pride alive! And last, but not least, to Mrs. C, thank you for your fighting spirit and taking so many for the team! Remember, we are fighters, never give up and keep our Pooh pride alive! Good luck to next year's house head! Love always, KM, Kristi-Marie Guzda

Craig Gowan has rocked hard this year! We started off awesome with an amazing House Rally! I don't think any of us have ever screamed that loud!!!!! And Interhouse...what can I say? Interhouse just isn't Interhouse without the Craig Gowan spirit! You guys have shown off your talent in general trivia during the 'Reach for the Top' Interhouses, you've had amazing participation and skill during the 'Musical Chairs' Interhouse and, of course, you played some amazing rounds in our sports Interhouses-from soccer to granny ball, you guys never fail to amaze with your skill, support or spirit. And for all of that, I have to say that WE REALLY ARE THE BEST! I want to say that I seriously have had a lot of fun getting to know my fellow house members better and I really hope that you feel the same. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the other house members for their support and great ideas and would like to thank Dana for her organization and never failing spirit. So remember BIRD IS THE WORD!
Thanks for an awesome, amazing and fun year!
Yours truly,
~*Riya Ganguly*~

Hey Hippos!
Wow! This year has been a great one for Braemar! We truly are the most energetic and spirited bunch of Bernadette fans! We rocked the gym 'til there was no tomorrow when it came to reach, basketball, corner-soccer, and all of those wicked house rallies!
I'd like to send a big thank you to my fellow "housies", KM, Riya, and Chris, who all did such a great job keeping their houses up to par with ours, & helping me stay spirited and always in the mood for fun!
I'd also like to thank Dana, the *best* Sports Captain who ever graced this school, for such an amazing year. We really couldn't have had so much fun without her hard work and positive moods. Most importantly, I'd like to congratulate my fellow Braemarians for being so spirited and always coming out. YOU ARE AWESOME! I wish next year's Braemar Head the best of luck (we're a rowdy bunch)!!! Saskia Hoogstraten
P.S. Thank you Cathy G. for being the most spirited Braemarian!!!
Knock 'em down, roll 'em around... come on Braemar rock!!!

It has been a great year and I can't believe that I have to say good-bye to my school, and all of my friends! This year, being house head was amazing, full of exciting events, and great Ballater spirit! I am so proud of my fellow ballateridians, you did loads of fantastic work for our house this year. I am sure Kermit will be proud of all of you. The events that took place this year would not have been as successful without the help of many other hard-working people. First, I would like to say thank you to Dana, our dedicated Sports Captain. You helped sports events stay like they were meant to be. Also, thank you to Mrs. C and all of the other members of sports council for their hard work, especially at the dances (no lost coats, yeah!!!). Finally, to my fellow house heads, you guys were great, you helped keep the 'friendly' competition alive without letting it get out of hand! Good luck to Ballater in the future, and remember that without a doubt, we are the best house with the coolest mascot, Kermit!! My best wishes go out to the next year's house head, I know you will be incredible, after all, you're in Ballater!! I'll miss you guys, Christy Kolt

Captains' Messages

Being Sports Captain this year can be described as quite the experience. An experience that taught me how to survive in the face of adversity and persist even when things seem hopeless... and endless. I couldn't have asked for more this year, with regards to the opportunities for athletes at BH. Athletics at Balmoral Hall still have a long way to go, but judging by the enthusiasm and skill of the younger grades, I have confidence that things will keep getting better. In the essence of a true Oscar acceptance speech, I have a million and one thank you's to make. I want to thank everyone who had confidence in Sports Council this year. As well, my fellow prefects deserve all the gratitude in the world. Any given interhouse day, they were there getting people spirited and participating with true house pride. Thank you to everyone who came out with a religious-like dedication. I also want to thank all the coaches who graciously took time out of their own schedule to hone the skills of our athletes. Finally, I want to thank Sports Council and the House Heads for all their hard work. Six years of fervent dedication to Balmoral Hall Athletics has given me innumerable memories and taught me invaluable lessons. To all my volleyball teammates: Girls, we took on every challenge, we conquered every obstacle, and we proved every non-believer dead wrong. We left our mark. I hope every athlete at BH leaves with a similar retrospect. To all the remaining athletes, when you sense a glass ceiling, remember that you are unique as an athlete in an all-girls school, and therefore you have to step up your game even more to gain respect for yourself and for all athletes. I know you all are capable of that and more. To future Sports Captains, I wish you all the luck in the world. Love, Dana Delapenha

My first year at BH was grade seven, that was when I learned about Middle School Prefects, saw the Middle School Sports Captain and said to myself, "Self, this is for you!" The next thing I knew, I was the Sports Captain of Middle School! Here's my last year in Middle School, and being a prefect... I'll run again for Sports Captain, or maybe a Head of Glen Gairn?! This year was awesome! Pie eating in the atrium, BEYOND COOL Middle School Dance on Feb. 21, Winter Olympics for interhouse, granny shots from center circle, Varsity Girls Volleyball Team against the teachers, ¿¡ Mme. Hafenbrak HITS...hard!?...Planning for the many activities for school was SOOO MUCH FUN.....Going to miss being a prefect... it was fun while it lasted...good luck to the rest of you...Even if you fail the first time, try, try again ¡ADIOS CHICAS! Claudia Müller Moran

INTERHOUSE

Above: The Craig Gowan team is ready to rumble!
Below: Dana leads Ballater, floor hockey against the teachers, and soccer during lunch hour

Above: Kaitlin Briggs and Below: Mrs. Christie and Mrs. McDonald, goal tending

Go Glen Gairn!
Middle School vs. The Teachers

Counter Clockwise: Natasha Zloty, Meghan Malcolm Kenyon and Grace Kennedy participate in The Winter Olympic Activities

House Competition

Clockwise from top: Dana Dalapenha-Dobbin and Deidre Santos all decked out; Braemar stands strong behind Saskia Hoogstraten; Mrs. McDonald on a breakaway; Julia takes her best shot against the teachers; Dana gets the game going; Saskia boots the ball; Taylor takes off

Left: Carmen Hui hugs her mascot, Above: The Fall House Rally, Below: Winter Olympic Racing

Varsity Volleyball

The Varsity Team

Back: Lisa Calsbeck (Coach), Dany Théberge, Uta Hoogstraten, Jennifer Dyck-Sprout, Brittany Cawson, Kristine Wilson, Jeff Richardson (Coach)
Front: Kaitlin Briggs, Mara Kipnes, Julia Cloutier, Dana Delapenha-Dobbin, Christy Kolt, Meredith Tapper (Manager)

Coach Richardson receiving his medal at Provincials

Kristine Wilson in mid-air during a volley over the net

Dana Delapenha practicing a spike

Christy Kolt setting for a play during practice

The varsity volleyball team started practicing before school started with the hopes of achieving first place in Zone 12 for the second year in a row. Jeff Richardson coached us to first in our division at the U of W tournament and the Virden tournament, second in the BH & Silver Heights tournaments, and third in the Western Canadian Independent Schools Championship, our highest finish to date, along with the spirit award for the second year! The only disappointment this year was losing to West Gate in the finals after an almost undefeated season. Luckily, we entered AAA Provincial's as a wild card team and ended up placing second! Our positive attitude developed on and off the court, which enabled us to win the MB Hydro VBall Sportsmanship Award. I don't think any of us will take for granted the valuable skills & lessons learned this season. I know we will never forget the friendships that developed as a result. Jennifer Dyck-Sprout

Junior Teams

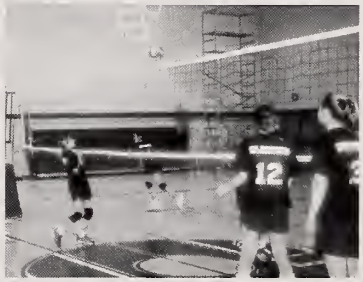
Junior Competitive

Back: Christy Kolt (Manager), Leah Metcalf, Taylor Maavara, Kate Langrell, Claudia Müller-Moran, Robin Jacuzzi, Sarah Rybczuk, Grace Kennedy, Judy Christie (Coach)
Front: Kristina Robison, Erin Cornelius, Stephanie Lawson, Teresa Kennedy, Karlen Prendiville, Olivia Zaporzan, Cathy Guyot

The BH Blazers fan squad, named last year "The Wall" showed enthusiastic support. Here, members of the junior teams rally for a Varsity game.

Claudia Müller Moran, Kate Langrell and Erin Cornelius warming up

Mrs. Christie prepares her squad



The Junior Competitive team getting ready for a game

Junior Developmental

Back: Erin Danylchuk, Jessica Michalski, Amory Nitychoryk, Shanleigh Thomson, Grace Boyd, Torrey MacTavish, Lee Alstrom (Coach)
Front: Kelsey Bryk, Talia Glodjo, Lauren Smerchanski, Kalika Hoogstraten, Rebecca Asper, Nora Grieve, Sarah Scott

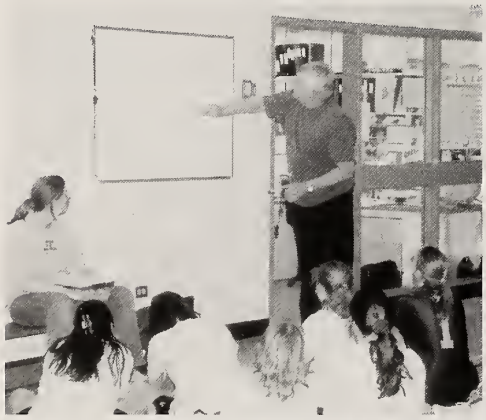
Basketball

Varsity

Back: Christine Siddall, Danielle Guenette, Kristi-Marie Guzda, Cheryl Woodward, Whittney Ramage
Front: Dana Delapenha-Dobbin, Kristine Wilson, Julia Cloutier, Hayly Smerchanski, Mara Kipnes, Amy Wilton

Junior Competitive

Back: Shannon Bahuaud, Laura Murdoch, Taylor Maavara, Erin Cornelius, Karlen Prendiville, Cathy Guyot
Front: Claudia Müller-Moran, Diane Den, Chelsa Jordan, Kelcey Vossen, Katie Haber, Robyn Zajac, Jennifer Kirk (Coach)



Junior Developmental 1

Back: Kelsey Connor, Shereen Samimi, Valerie Beynon, Shawna Olson, Laura Sutherland, Lauren Smerchanski, Leanne Glass
Front: Grace Boyd, Seema Rao, Torrey MacTavish, Nora Grieve, Sarah Scott, Jessica Michalski, Shanleigh Thomson

Junior Developmental 2

Back: Saira Abdulrehman, Kalika Hoogstraten, Chelsea Chimilar, Ericka Rankin-Friesen
Front: Jillian Smith, Christie Branton, Jasmine Fernando, Jessica Summers

Curling & Badminton

Mrs. Shyka, Mrs. Sammons, & Ms. Fulton with curling participants Deidre Santos, Saskia Hoogstraten, Carrie Rothwell, Hersha Goldberg & Victoria Schaeffer
Mr. Kowbel, Mr. Richardson & Mr. DeBlonde with curlers Kathryn Marcynuk, Katie Moore, Leah Metcalf & Lauren Henderson

Clockwise: Carrie Rothwell skips her rink to certain victory, Deidre Santos sets up to deliver her rock and Ms. Fulton gives some advice to Mr. Kowbel in the students vs. the teachers game

Coach Lisa Calsbeck with the Varsity team: Tessa Vanderhart, Kristine Wilson, Katrina Maksymyk, Dany Théberge, Christy Kolt & Carrie Rothwell

Junior Varsity players: Jaime Rosin, Lisa Gregory, Danielle Guenette, Heather Sandhu, sitting: Catherine Simons, Shalini Sharma

Grade 6 Badminton members: Erika Kasper, Kaitlin King, Rachel Cosman & Shawna Olson

Soccer

The soccer team poses after winning their final game

Soccer coaches Anna Kelso, Erin Palmer and Mr. Warriner

Marissa Ataliotis, Julia Cloutier and Uta Hoogstraten rest on the sidelines

Saskia Hoogstraten, Mara Kipnes, Jen Dyck-Sprout, Marissa Ataliotis, Claire Dickson, Catherine Simons and Connie Bermudez (front) watch the game

Cheryl Woodward and Tessa Vanderhart head for the sidelines

Connie Bermudez takes her position

Mara, Jen and Dany Theberge share a high five after a good play

Christine Siddall runs with the ball

Alicia Haber throws the ball into play

Saskia passes in the ball

Maria Schultz receives a pass

Dragonboat and Track

Left: The Dragon Blazers get ready to work together, Saskia Hoogstraten, drummer, motivates the team & keeps the beat
Above: Row, row, row your boat!
Right: Marta Alphonso and Jane Polak Scowcroft are ready to row

Above: Kate Langrell at the long jump
Below: Timers cheering on the runners

Above: Macy Morden & Teresa Kennedy hitting the finish line

Carmen Provinciano hitting the mat at the high jump

Right: Michelle Aizpuru & María Jose Dominguez looking after the long jump

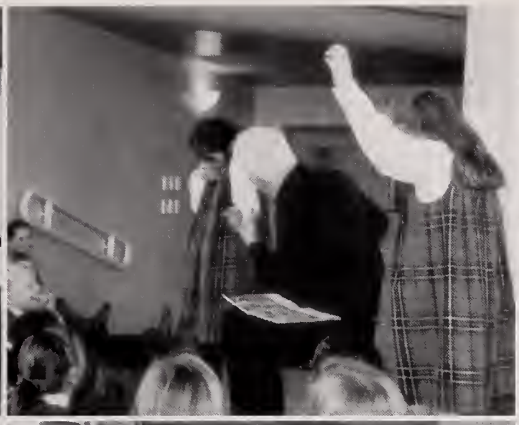
Grades 4-8 Track Meet

Community Service & Student Affairs

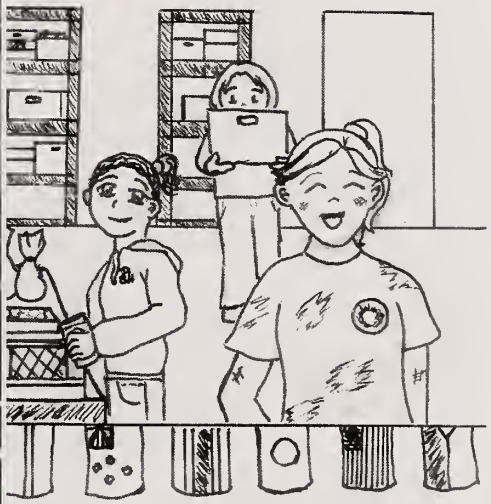
Deidre Santos and Ms. Welch sit upon bags of pop can tabs collected to raise funds for the purchase of a wheelchair

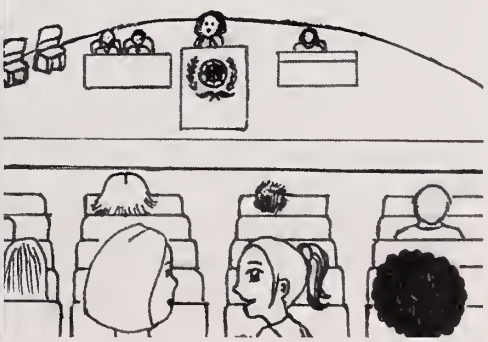
Baillie Klein and her partner are preparing for competition in the Rupert's Land tournament

The Community Service and Student Affairs programs have been very enthusiastic this past year. As a school we have participated in events such as the volunteer fair, tab collection, the holiday party, the day of giving, hampers and great successes at the junior high, provincial and national levels of debating. These events have been successful because of the students' involvement and their attitudes. As a school we have introduced and developed a positive attitude towards volunteering and debating.



Make visible what, without you, might perhaps never have been seen.
Robert Bresson





Messages from:

Community Service Prefect

Community Service Prefect
Deidre Santos

This year has gone by so fast. As a school, we have participated in many community service activities. Our first exciting event of the year was our successful Volunteer Fair where over 25 agencies offered both long term and short-term opportunities. This provided the student body with placements to complete their required 10 volunteer hours. Something that was revived was the tab collection process. Throughout the time that I have been a prefect I have seen two young adults receive wheelchairs, which means that there were at least 40 million tabs collected. This is an amazing accomplishment and I would like to thank everyone who participated. A new addition to the program was Volunteer of the Month, which was an award that recognized any student that dedicated time to volunteering. My favourite activity was The Day of Giving. Our students went out into the community and we invited gr.1 to gr.3 students from Mulvey School and Balmoral Hall for a fabulous Holiday party. The constant smiles on all of the children's faces displayed the success of the event. Lastly, I would like to thank the prefects, Ms.Welch and Mrs. Sharma. Without their help my job would have been impossible and to the students: Keep collecting those tabs and good luck next year. Deidre Santos

Student Affairs Prefect

Being Student Affairs prefect was one of the most exciting experiences of my life. The opportunity I have had every Monday morning to share riveting debate updates with the entire student body, frequently eliciting student participation in competitions, urgent requests for speakers and timers at BH tournaments, as well as being intensely involved with debating myself were just a few high points of the year. This experience, although it gave me the chance to co-ordinate and plan events both independently and with the other prefects, also helped me to learn new skills myself. Balmoral Hall experienced great successes in the Student Affairs area – a great Rupert's Land Tournament (BH once again rocked the house with our dynamic Public Speakers placing 2nd school overall and sending Kyla Caners, Meredith Tapper, & myself to the Nationals), high levels of participation in Jr. High Debating Tournaments (from all our AWESOME, future-politicians/lawyers in grades 6-9), and lots of enthusiasm surrounding the "sport" of debating/public speaking. So how exactly does this Prefect stay sane during her stint as "part-time student, full-time extra-curricular?" Simple – frequent road trips to rural Manitoba, the occasional rendition of "From New York to LA" in the middle of the night at a debating tournament billet's house, choreographing various dances to signal the approach or sighting of certain speaking competitors, and lots of sushi. If I could leave one remnant of my experiences with everyone it would be this clichéd, yet incredibly true phrase, "It's Great to Debate!"

Student Affairs Prefect
Lauren Seaman

Volunteer Fair

Deidre Santos serves cookies to the Volunteer Fair visitors

Katie Reynolds talking to Chantel and Connie of Winnipeg Harvest

The Volunteer Fair

The Volunteer Fair, which included 30 agencies, and took place on Tuesday, September 24th, was a complete success! The event happened in the atrium where there were information booths set up so the students could browse at their leisure. The Volunteer Fair is an annual occasion which enables the students to gather their ten mandatory volunteer hours as well as learn about the various placements where they could make a huge difference.

Shannon Bahuaud and Diane Den (grade 8) show interest in the Manitoba Theatre for Young People Display

Mila Panaskevich (grade 7) finds what looks like an interesting opportunity for volunteer hours

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Mad cow fears
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Trouble plagues building where man's hand cut off

Officers failed to act on informant's tip

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Jenna outwits
Survivor rivals

Matrix

7 kids in B.C.

Second deadly avalanche claims

Canadian Idol

SARS outbreak

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

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Alouettes spoil
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More fighting

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'Like it or not,' Canad
now stuck with Kyoto

$150-M museum
to rise
in city

WAR IN IRAQ

B.C. premier apologizes; rejects calls to step down

dozens to die in blazing train

Oscar loves Chicago

Musical wins six awards, including best picture

SARS: Fighting a mystery killer

Go
Annika

g in 2 days

German tour bus crash kills at least 28 in France

Strongquill MURDER TRIAL

Canada rules world

2nd nightclub slaying

19-year-old beaten to death in Exchange

Canadian wins Masters

THE PROVINCIAL ELECTION

Weir No. 1!

DAD

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Fuel oil sinks with tanker; environmental disaster feared

es ahead

Get it while it's hot

War in Iraq

RON ROCKS

BRING BACK RON!

Nearly 100 rock fans die as fireworks spark blaze

GOING for the GOLD

'COLUMBIA IS LOST'

ns not over

FORD WORLD CURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

America's new Idol

Going Hollywood

SNIPER ARRESTS

Police catch fugitive in movie-style chase

Swept-away Red Wings wonder why?

al-Qaida

Bombers' hopes crash with 33-30 loss to Eskimos

To Debate is Great

BH debaters were successful at tournaments such as:

National Debate Qualifiers
Junior Debate Tournament
International Independent Public Speaking Competition
Western Debate Seminar
Senior Nationals Debate Tournament
Rupert's Land Debate Tournament
United Nations Public Speaking Competition
Canadian Student Debating Federation's National Debate Seminar
Senior and Junior Douglas Campbell Public Speaking Championships
Angus Reid Public Speaking Tournament
Senior and Junior Provincial Debating Championships

Outstanding Performances by:

Lauren Seaman, Kyla Caners, Robyn Zajac, Shereen Samimi, Kathryn Marcynuk, Andrea Mrak, Kiran Dhillon, Sarah Murdoch, Amy Dhillon, Baillie Klein, Meredith Tapper, Allison Pigden, Riya Ganguly, Emilie Anderson-Gregoire and Meena Bhullar

Top: Kyla Caners presenting her persuasive speech for Rupert's Land
Above: Kiran Dhillon receiving an award at the Provincial's tournament
Below: Christy Kolt and Saskia Hoogstraten in the tab room at Rupert's Land
Below Right: Meena and St. Mary's debater Emily Skey between rounds at Rupert's Land

Above Left: Meredith, Kyla and Lauren at the International's tournament
Above Right: Mrs. Greenhill visits Niagara Falls at International's
Left: Riya, Amy, Meena and Meredith with their award at Angus Reid Public Speaking
Below: Amy Dhillon and SJR debating partner Will Guest preparing for a debate at Rupert's Land

Alumnae Coming together

This year has been one of my most exciting and memorable years at BH. As Alumnae Prefect, I got the fantastic opportunity to work with the Alumnae Office to coordinate many exciting events AND be a member of Executive Council. Although it was quite a bit of work, being on BH's Executive Council was SO much fun and such a rewarding experience. I had the time of my life this year, and I'll never forget how much I learned from the other Prefects and the leadership skills I gained. To my fellow Prefects and grade 12s, thank you so much for your friendship and encouragement. To all of the student body and staff, I want to thank you for your support and guidance during my many years at BH. I'll miss each and every one of you!
Love Laura Lemon

niversity...First Hand

n October 11th, S4s got some insight into what niversity is like from some of the class of '02. At an nformal get together, we chatted about their experinces. Ashley Zajac and Caroline Monnin warned us of he dangers of Acadia's 'frosh week'. Marisa Louridas poke of how she felt that the people at the U of M were mix of St. Paul's, SJR and BH all combined. Lesley aid that she felt that Queen's U had a comfortable tmosphere and informed us of her adjustment. Erin Mitchell wrote us a letter informing us of the 'top 5' ules (not usually found in the student handbooks) to ollow when going to university.

We laughed at the hilarious comments about heir roommates and experiences at school, and gathered useful information. We found out about the application process and how universities differ. For example, Acadia U has smaller classes, while the U of Manitoba has some classes of almost 300 people.

What we gathered from this experience is not n pamphlets and can only be gained first hand. While reminiscing with our friends, and learning about how they adjusted to university; we also got a lot of information that will guide our selections. - R. Ganguly

Left: S4 students and recent graduates
Bottom left: Ashley Zajac talking to grads and students
Bottom right: Laura Lemon, Amy D., Meena, Amy W., and graduate Lesley Robertson

Home for the Holidays

On a cold December night, Alley Catz Piano Bar on was overrun with BH Alums. Recent grads, not-so-recent grads, and teachers seemed to storm the doors and the small group quickly became a loud party. Stories flew across the tables as friends exchanged tales of university, life away from home, and plans for the upcoming holiday social scene. "You look different when you're not wearing green." was heard a few times...and "You look so much more grown up!" The annual alumnae tradition, formerly held in Aikins House, was redesigned to give grads of the last 5 years a chance to get together for some holiday cheer. Approximately 30 girls came for the event. People scatter and emails change, so this party is a great chance to catch up with folks who dropped off your radar. Don't let this happen to you! - Heather Dawson '96

Top left: Sisters Courtney and Hilary Moir.
Bottom left: Four alums pose together.
Above: Hanging out and enjoying the food.

Youth in Philanthropy

Youth in Philanthropy, YIP, is a school program of twenty girls in the school who want to make a difference in our community. The Winnipeg Foundation annually gives grants of $5,000 to groups of young people in schools around the city to give in donations of no more than $1,000 each to charities of their choice. The program is in its fourth year at BH, and over these years we have already given over $20,000 to various charitable organizations around the city. Our goals this year were to focus on helping the underprivileged, and improving education, the environment and health. Due to the increasing interest in the club this year, our group split into three smaller sections which each focus on one of our chosen 'values.' Overall, while doing the research and site visits all of us have learned more about the community and what we can do to meet its needs.

By Nathania van Kuik Fast and Amy Dhillon

From back (left to right): Meena Bhullar, Navdeep Bhullar, Mrs. Shyka, Kristine Wilson, Kyla Caners, Carmen Hui, Sarah Murdoch, Leena Hasan, Andi Sharma, Diana King, Kiran Dhillon, Amy Wilton, Maria Shultz, Amy Dhillon, Kristi-Marie Guzda and Nathania van Kuik Fast.

Absent: Hersha Goldberg, Jane Polak Scowcroft, Chloe Wolstencroft, Heather Sandhu, Poonam Mahay, Lisa Koss, Jennifer Dyck-Sprout.

Continentia Corporation

Left to right: Meredith Tapper, Kiran Dhillon, Jane Polak Scowcroft, and Andi Sharma pose at the Continentia Wind-up!

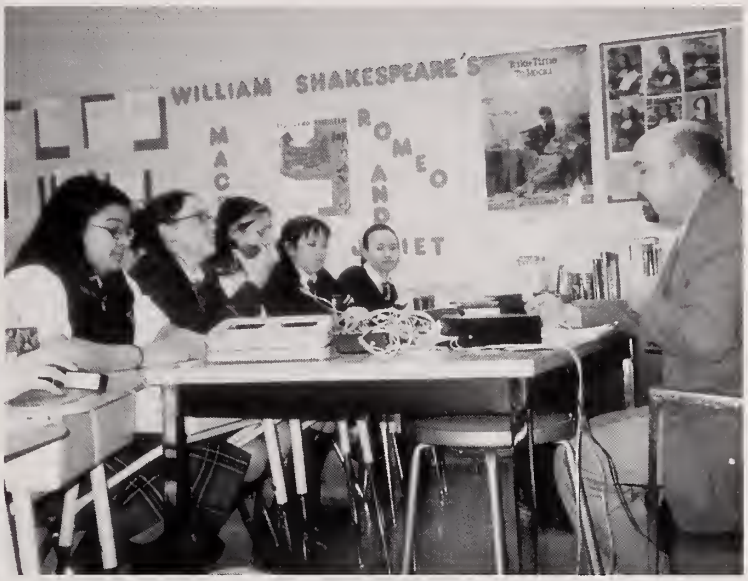
Left to right: Heather Sandhu, Meena Bhullar, Amy Dhillon and Mrs. Alexander, all in big smiles on the other side of the table.

Continentia Corp., a club for students interested in business, took place between September and January when we met twice in the school day cycle. Each member had a designated position such as President or VP of Human Resources. The club learned about sales, marketing, business and much more. Continentia Corp. sold Winter Wonderland Bears at both the school and at Winnipeg Square. We also went on a daylong expedition during which we went to a bank seminar, witnessed a live stock exchange, visited a law firm and sold our bears over lunch. After it was all over the Grade 12 members went to a Stock Market Challenge at the Fort Garry Hotel where they placed in the top ten teams their first time there! Continentia was a great learning experience and we had a great time. With the profits the club made, we celebrated our success by going out for girl's night bowling at Academy Lanes and for supper at Mona Lisa's. Thanks to our advisor, Mrs. Alexander for making it possible. By Kiran Dhillon

A prospective Junior School buyer

Poonam Mahay, Kiran, Amy and Heather are ready to sell the Study Buddy Bears!

Reach for the Top



Intermediate Reach Team

Reach for the Top, or Reach as most of us know it, was a great success this year. We had both junior and senior reach teams. The teams went on many tournaments and did very well at all of them. The students worked hard and were dedicated to do a great job. Spreading their knowledge and having fun was the main thing and the students demonstrated that Balmoral Hall Girls really can reach for the top and succeed!

Kiran Dhillon

Senior Reach Team

The Senior Reach for the Top team is a blast to be part of. The team is made up of 7 dedicated girls in grade 11 and 12 and we are among the top in the province. We have so much fun going to tournaments, making up fake answers to questions that no one knows the answer to, competing with each other to answer first the questions that we do know, and practicing hard so that the boys will not beat us!

Lisa Koss

Day of Giving

Above: Middle school students prepare crafts to bring to Misericordia Health Center
Below: BH students Kelsey Bryk, Valerie Beynon and Seema Rao put their creativity to use

Above: Hampers are ready to go!
Below: Lauren Smerchanski, Chelsea Chimilar and Torrey Mactavish display their potpourri bundles

On Thursday, December 19th, just before winter break, Balmoral Hall girls, Grades 6 to 12, participated in the annual Day of Giving, in which they all dispersed to various placements around the city to aid those in need. Some placements included Winnipeg Harvest, Misericordia Hospital, Manitoba Theater for Young People and popular shopping malls like Polo Park where they wrapped gifts for frazzled shoppers. On top of all this, the students in each homeroom put together food and gifts to make hampers for needy families. On the Day of Giving the hampers were delivered to the families to brighten their holidays. The Day of Giving is an essential part of the humanitarian spirit of Balmoral Hall, enabling the students to not only give back to the community but also to get to know others and themselves better. By Hersha Goldberg

Middle School students play reindeer games

Middle School students bond with residents

Mulvey Party

Above: Marissa Ataliotis and Sarry Klein pose for the camera
Bottom Left: The juggler performs a great trick

On our annual Day of Giving, the Middle School students and staff create and prepare gift stockings and bags for the 100 residents of Misericordia Place, as well as the 194 patients in the Interim Care units of the Misericordia Hospital. As students, we take great care and pride in this project. The morning is filled with the bustle of activities as we all write cards, make crafts and package up candies and oranges. The highlight of the day happens in the afternoon when we all walk over to the hospital to distribute the gifts, visit with the patients and sing Christmas carols in the hallways. Some of us are able to speak French, Italian or Portuguese to the seniors. They think we are wonderful and we think they are so cute and sweet and interesting. This is a great way to start the holiday season! -8S

Top Right: BH student Brynn Kagawa - Visentin and Mulvey school student assist the juggler with his trick.
Bottom: Dana Delapenha with BH and Mulvey students

Above: Students in reindeer group 1 make some crafts
Below: Eva Downey, Alisa Borger and elves Julia Cloutier, Christy Kolt

The Main Event

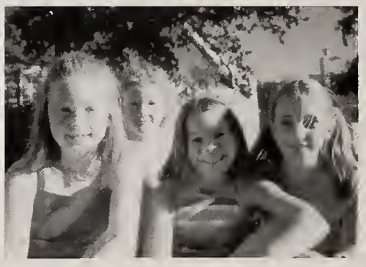
A bird's eye view of our fun filled BBQ!!!

The grade nine girls dress up Mrs. Zimmer for Halloween!

I should do this for a living!

¡¡¡ Vamos!!!

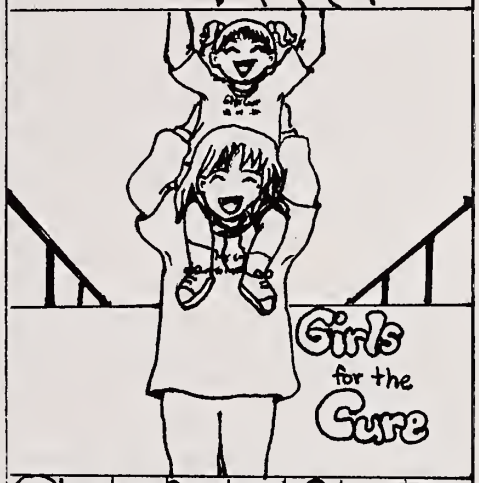
Fun in the sun with friends!

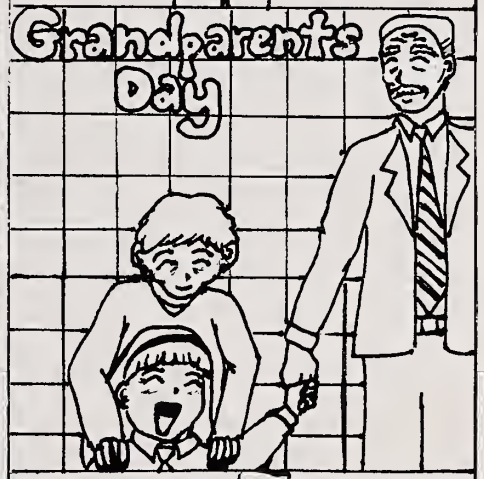


She shoots, she scores!

Its been a great year full of events! The St. Pauls Walk allowed for SO many opportunities to meet new people and make new friends. Having Dr. Tomita here for the BBQ was phenomenal, she was such an inspirational person. I'm glad I was part of the Girls For The Cure Run/Walk, because it made me realize that Breast Cancer is a serious disease in the lives of many women. Seeing the Duke of Edinburgh in Winnipeg, only reaffirmed my dedication to the program.

Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work.
~Thomas A. Edison





St. Paul's Walk

Claire Dickson strikes her favorite pose

The St. Paul's Walk took place on Sept. 10th, and it included Balmoral Hall (the coolest) St. Paul's High School and St. Mary's Academy. It included lots of games, which tested physical ability, like the Velcro Olympics and human fooseball. There was also an amazing stage show with humorous parodies of "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" and the "Dating Game."

Special thanks to the wonderful executive council, the talented stage managers, the peppy spirit patrols and the beautiful staff members who made it all possible.

PREFECT QUOTES:

Julia: Bah, fun times!
Dana: A real learning experience.
Claire: Miami Vice pant suit forever!!
Riya: For a good time, call Riya 555-5555
Christy: Queen rocks!!
Saskia: Killer!
Kristi-Marie: Lots of wasps!
Laura L.: Too many wasps! Great time though!
Carmen: Cool! We need to work on our dance though.
Nathania: I can't dance!!
Deidre: Great way to meet people.
Jamie: Good time for all (quote may have been altered).

Katrina Maksymyk strikes her favorite pose.

Amy Dhillon & Nathania van Kuik Fast in the Velcro Olympics

Mylène Gamache, Christine Siddall, and Kiran Dhillon having fun

Hersha Goldberg and Nathania van Kuik Fast soak up the sun

Andi Sharma presents

St. Paul's dancers take center stage

St. Paul's Walk

All the teachers enjoy the day: J. Sheps, A. Greenhill, G. DeBlonde, J. Kamins, H. Welch, L. Calsbeck, T. Friesen, S. Leipsec, J. Kirk, B. Flackman and K. Wilkes

BH Spirit Squad: Carrie Rothwell, Meredith Tapper, Laura Penner, and Hersha Goldberg

The 2002-03 prefects "Bring It"!

Human fooseball

Christy Kolt and Petra Gyles take a breather after the Velcro Olympics

Brenna McGregor, Vanessa Heron, Ashley McGregor, Meghan Fitzpatrick and Stephanie McGregor are all smiles

Girls for the Cure

Katie, Shalini, Arden, Jenny, Mylene & Cleo "totally posing"

On October 10th, all the students in grades 1 to Senior 4, staff, and parent volunteers, gathered in the Athletic Center to commence the walk by exiting the building under an arch of Chemo Savvy's hand-painted paddles. Chemo Savvy, a Dragon Boat team, is made up of breast cancer survivors who train at BH under the direction of Mrs. Calsbeck. Students in grades 1-3 made their way to the Legislative grounds with the help of their Senior 2-4 buddies. Grades 4- Senior 1 continued on to The Forks and back to the Legislative grounds, where cookies, drinks and a DJ were waiting to let the festivities continue.

Mrs. McFarlane, Mrs. Peterer, Rachel, Soo Yeung , Jaunty, Christine, Jacqueline, Erika, Katie, Heather, Jennifer, Alexa & Hayley

Julia Cloutier and Claire Dickson are picture perfect

Jen Dyck Sprout, Ms. Kirk and Meghan Fejes...just laugh!

Jamie Krutkevich, Stevan Leipsic, Ketri Wilkes and Mrs. McFadden ask "Are we done yet?"

Hayly Smerchanski, Caroline Swystun, Mika Rayter, Julie Pagura, Navdeep Bhullar, Brittaney Santos & Hayley Mitchell are spirited by Saskia Hoogstraten cheering on the girls

The Duke's Challenge

The sign that is shown at the water pump reads:

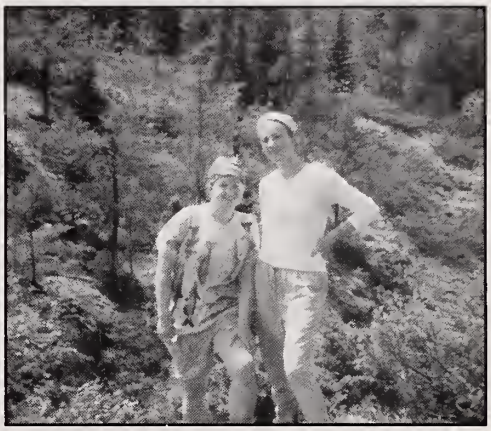
NOTICE: Water from this source is untreated and should be boiled or disinfected prior to consumption....

Above: Paige Lewis, Jennifer Dyck Sprout, Kristine Wilson, Dany Théberge, and Mrs. Calsbeck stop for a drink?

Above: Jennifer Dyck Sprout is ahead of the pack

Below: A refreshing pit stop for the group

Below: Paige Lewis and Megan McFadden are taking in the beauty of nature



Duke of Edinburgh Awards: The Young Canadian's Challenge program is one of individual challenge. It presents to young people a balanced, non-competitive program of voluntary activities, which encourage personal discovery & growth, self-reliance, perseverance, responsibility to themselves and service to the community.

Every year BH student participation in this program has continued to grow. Our students are working towards achievement of all three levels – Bronze, Silver and Gold.

In October 2002, 4 BH students had the honour of receiving their awards from the Duke of Edinburgh – Prince Philip, who was here in Winnipeg with Her Majesty, the Queen, for her Jubilee Tour of Canada. Sarah Murdoch, Kristine Wilson, and Paige Lewis (former student) received their Silver Award. Renata Choptiany (2001) received her Gold Award.

This program is offered to the Senior School students as an extra-curricular activity. Participation in skill development, physical fitness and community service are all done independently by the participants. They become a group as they prepare for their expedition. All award levels require participants to be involved in the planning and preparation of a 2–4 day outdoor trip. This year's group hiked 50 km of the Mantario Trail in the Big Whiteshell. For three days and two nights the group of 12 traversed swamp-like trails, climbed torturous rocks, drank questionable water, swatted mosquitoes, and managed each others wood ticks – a real party! Congratulations Nerissa Heron, Katie Reynolds, Sarah Murdoch, Paige Lewis, Kristine Wilson, Maria Schultz, Jennifer Dyck-Sprout, Megan McFadden, Amy Dhillon and leaders Mrs. Calsbeck and Ms. Welch.

Left: Kristine Wilson and Right: Sarah Murdoch

Receiving their awards from The Duke of Edinburgh himself, Prince Philip

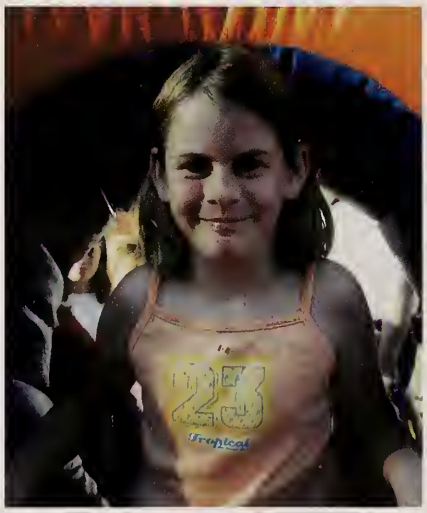
The Parent Association's

Julia Cloutier and Mrs.Sumerlus "Two Heads" are better than one!

Sarah Murdoch, Julia Cloutier, Gen Cloutier, Saskia Hoogstraten and Sam Brooker

Unite the white! Gen Cloutier, K. M. Guzda and Amrita Mohanty

Sarah Briggs, Natalie Smith, Sharon Brown, Cheryl Briggs, Joan Christie and Lianne Johnstone are proud to be Canadian!



Kaitlin Robinson pops up

The Parent Association did an excellent job on the Yahoo BBQ. Climbing games, friends, good food, music, prizes, painting nails and hair dyes. What more could a girl want? Thanks to everyone who helped and everyone that showed up for making this year a success!
by Catherine Simons

Mrs. Briggs, Ms. Robinson and Mrs. Alto: having a blast!

Yahoo Barbeque

An overview of the BH barbeque

Erika Kasper and Natasha Zloty enjoy the ride!

Above: Mrs. Kamins and Dr. Tomita with her husband
Below: Tug-O-Fun!

Jar Bar Jamboree

Laura Blackwood enjoying the wonders of karaoke!

Camp Arnes

Students are assigned an animal in the food web to play in the Instincts for Survival Game

Songs and games around the campfire

Students participate in Cooperative Learning Games: shooshing boards and blanket toss

The Grade 6s arrived at Camp Arnes around 11:00 with their hearts jumping for joy, our ears half past deaf from the scream everyone made as we passed the sign saying in big bold letters: "Camp Arnes", and our heads filled with many camp songs. After we hopped off the bus and unloaded our bags under the blue tarp, Kallin gave us a brief tour of the camp. By the time the tour was over, our minds were racing with exciting thoughts and our hearts were pumping. After we came back from the tour, we raced to the cabin to unpack. By the time all of our fights were over about which bed we were sleeping on, it was time for lunch. We left for our first two activities, rock climbing and fire and bannock, which were much better than we expected! After our activities we headed for dinner, which was drumsticks, potatoes, peas and red jello with whipped cream on top! Boy was it good! After supper it started to rain really hard so we couldn't have a bonfire outside, so we roasted marshmallows inside instead. We made three different crafts: flower paintings, door hangers and pins.

When we woke up the next morning we were all tired but wide awake with excitement. We knew that the second day was going to be even better then the first. That morning for breakfast we had oatmeal, scrambled eggs and fried potatoes. Then we went to our first activities. After the day was almost over we had the best night yet! We all sat around the campfire and sang a whole bunch of different songs, the Boogaloo! Then we played a couple games and finished our crafts. As everyone thought about the next day, we realized it was our last night there and we would be leaving around 1:00 pm.

The next morning we awoke and did the usual, shower, eat breakfast, etc. Then, we took last minute pictures of the camp. We loaded up our stuff and took a last glance at camp and took off for home. We all missed camp already and were very tired. As we reached the gates of the school we unpacked and had thoughts about next year, which we just couldn't wait for!

by Torrey MacTavish & Yasmine Attiyat

Yurt Camp

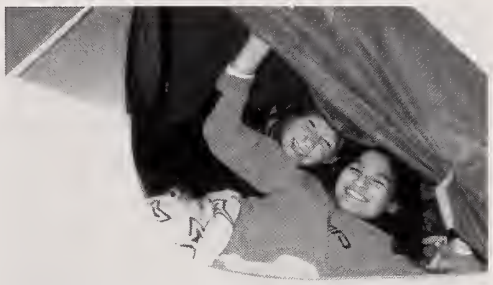
Hanging around the totem pole

The group says its final good-bye

Grade 7 Yurt Camp Adventure:
Although we almost froze to death, we survived our Minaki adventure. We spent most of the day canoeing, rock climbing, nature or adventure hiking and mountain biking. Most of the campers said rock climbing was the most fun of the five events.

Some of the wishes were:
1. More free time
2. Warmer nights
3. Real bathrooms and not outhouses
4. Not so close to a railroad track

and...
Highlights were:
1. Rock climbing was a blast!
2. Canoeing was fun
3. The food was great



Robyn Zajac and Shereen Samimi: Fun in a tent!

Yum!

Above: Quality time!
Below: Peace and quiet at last!

Cassie Connor, Shereen Samimi, Erica Scharfstein: what a workout!

Food!

The Renaissance Festival

On September 26th to 28th the Twin Cities were changed forever. They were visited by 60 Grade 8 and Senior 1 students, and 6 teachers from Balmoral Hall. It was a fun-filled weekend of shopping, eating, learning and shopping.

It all started at 7:30 in the morning in the front parking lot at school where all the students and teachers boarded two buses. They stopped at a mall in Fargo, for lunch and took advantage of the mall washrooms. (The washrooms were the size of buses!) They got back on the bus, where it took them to the hotel, and right after they got off the bus, they turned around and rode to the Mall of America.

The next day, they headed off to the Renaissance Festival. They were entertained by actors in costume, had a chance to try authentic Renaissance food such as turkey drumsticks and kettle corn, and looked at and bought arts and crafts, like glass figurines and pottery. They watched plays and had the opportunity to throw tomatoes at people while they insulted bystanders. The girls had an amazing time and left with their heads filled with knowledge and new friends. Then they went shopping again.

By Leah M. Claudia M. and Emilie A.G.

Faire thee well: The exit of the Renaissance Festival

Dressed in Renaissance Clothing!

Above: Chris, one of the glass blowers at the festival
Left: S1 & Grade 8 students visiting the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden
Below: Stand up comedians

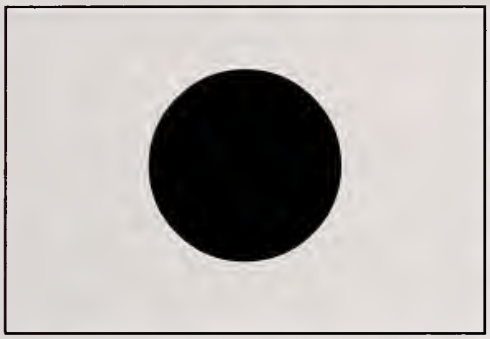
Far Left: Barbie Rosenberg, Kathleen Skinner, Sarah Knight and Julie Klein at the center of the court
Top Left: The amazing Christopher!
Bottom Left: Grace Kennedy, Julie Klein and Margo Chia enjoying a turkey leg

Shizuoka Eiwa Students

Mrs. Sumerlus welcomes Aika Masuda and Yukiko Hattori as they enter BH's ESL short term study program

Yukiko is ready with her camera for anything that comes her way - even SNOW in April!

Mrs. Sheps played a key part in their education of English and culture during their stay here



Aika and Yukiko were impressed by the size of the polar bear they met on their trip to the Manitoba Tourism Centre

Aika tried out a new outfit at the Tourism Centre

Residence provided a quick way to gain lots of new friends

Aika and Yukiko meet the symbol of Manitoba

Working with Technology

Kyla Belton and Jane Scowcroft have been working with Donnie McDougall, of the Guess Who, to create a documentary to accompany the release of his newest album

Gr. 3s working on a scene from the fairy tale with their Senior 3 mentor

The Waterloo Team – Ashley Makeiff, Lauren Seaman, Christy Kolt along with Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Robinson were selected to participate in the Waterloo/Clarica Scholarship program at the University of Waterloo in August 2002. Here they began to create a unit of study on Aboriginal Rights. This website also received Grass-roots funding

The Senior 3 New Media Class worked closely with the Gr. 3s and helped them to storyboard and retell a fairy tale using Stop Motion Animation
One of the group projects was sent to a competition
They won best animation in the K – 5 category!

The homepage from the aboriginal website

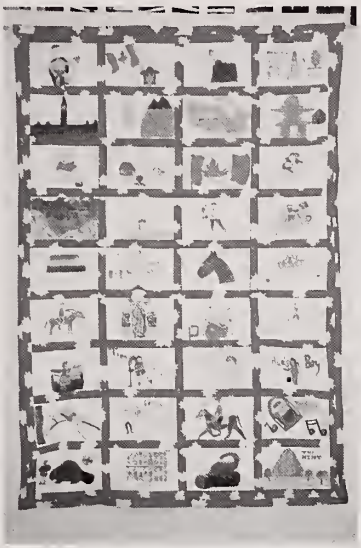
The Senior 4 New Media students visited award winning "Velocity Design Works". The students were given the opportunity to see first-hand how Flash is being used in the industry for animation and webdesign

Susan Sammons received the Network of Innovative Schools award of $10,000 on behalf of Balmoral Hall. Balmoral Hall has been recognized as a leader in technology and innovation

The Art Exhibition

Monumental Sculpture and Picasso Chair

Monumental Sculpture after Claes Oldenburg



Grade 6 Cooperative Quilt

"Defining Beauty" by Kristi Marie Guzda

An American Gothic by May Yung

An American Gothic by Caroline Swystyn

Self-portrait by Saskia Hoogstraten

A grand display of many talented pieces

"Paint the City Wild" by Melanie Riggs

Some students discovered their own styles and some represented famous artists

Student Profiles

Laura Lemon

I think that traveling is extremely important. It gives a person the chance to learn many things about different countries, cultures and languages. In the summer of '02, I studied Spanish for three weeks in Chile. I saw many differences between the people, and cultures, of the Americas. I also learned the importance of knowing different languages for business. In the summer of 2001, I went on a study program through the Canadian Arctic. I learned about nature and wildlife in a very different climate. I saw amazing plant and animal life forms and nature that I could never experience here at home. For 3 months of the '00 - '01 school year I did a study program in Japan. The lifestyle, attitudes and foods are very different there. The language is very complex. Going to school and living with a family was an amazing experience. I am very grateful for the travel opportunities that I have experienced.

Marta Alphonso

In the summer of 2002 I lived with a family in Nicoya, Costa Rica. During my time there, my goals changed and now I know that I want to live in Nicoya and teach English there. The people there were very nice and always treated me like I belonged there. I learned to use the Spanish that I have learned but I also learned much more in the classes that I attended and the conversations that I had, and by constantly hearing it. The culture of Costa Rica is rich with love from an era in the past when relationships between families, loves and friends were the most important thing in life. Everything is relaxing and everyone has time for everything. They live a simple life and are very happy that way. I miss my "family" and all the people I met there. I love the Paradise that is Costa Rica and I can't wait to live there again.

Katie Haber

MB Junior Open, under 16 doubles winner; Big Sand, singles finalist
MB Junior Open, finalist for singles

I have been playing tennis for a good part of my life. I haven't really been taking it seriously until this year. I have learned that wanting something isn't enough to get it, you have to act on that passion. In this sport you work hard to stay fit and have fun. To me it is one of the most ideal sports. I have proven to myself that if you work hard anything can happen. You know the saying "practice makes perfect"? I have many people that I play tennis with... I had the most fun with Kira. I enjoyed playing with her, and she is a very good player for someone who just likes to have fun and win. I also play with my friend Samantha. I have been playing doubles with her and singles against her for a couple of years now. No matter who I play with I will always have fun, and that is what tennis is all about!

Sophie Berkal-Sarbit

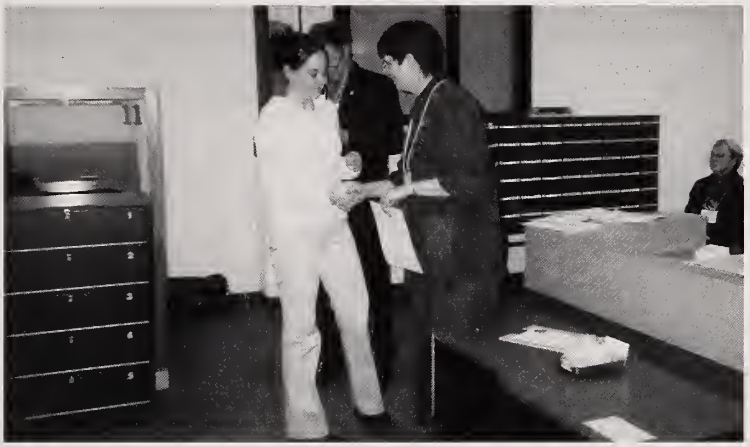
The Big Apple called and I listened. How appropriate that on Valentine's Day this year, I got the chance to do what I love to do the most – perform. I was invited to attend Camp Broadway in New York City between February 14 and 17. It was the best workshop I have ever attended. The Masterclass Intensive, as it was called, was conducted by actual Broadway performers. They came from hit shows like "Hairspray", and "Thoroughly Modern Millie". It was a little intimidating. They worked us very hard but we had an idea they might. We were expected to come prepared with a memorized monologue and Shakespearian sonnet that they provided. You also had to have an up tempo and ballad ready to sing. Each of the 29 students from across the U.S. and myself, the only Canadian, were individually adjudicated by a panel of artists at the end of the three days. I made a lot of new friends from all over the States who I may see one day again at another workshop or even in a show.

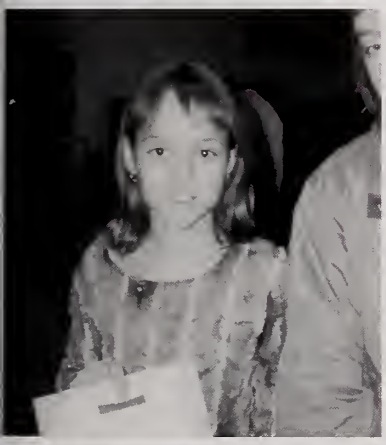
MB Historical Society

Nathania van Kuik Fast
Jane Polak Scowcroft

S4 Students

Carmen Hui
Manon Gamache





Above: Left to Right: Grade seven students Natasha Zloty, Erika Kasper and Grace Boyd

Jaime Rosin S2

In October 2002, The MB Historical Society presented last year's awards to many BH students for their research and representations of MB History. Categories included works such as projects, essays, family histories and artwork

Distinguished Guests

A very special guest to Winnipeg this year was Queen Elizabeth II. Grand celebrations graced our city. Some fortunate BH students had the priviledge to meet the Queen and Prince Philip

Katie Reynolds (S3) helps the Queen with her coat, did Katie remember to give her a coat check ticket?

Guess who's coming for dinner? The hardest part of this dinner is to remember which fork to use first

Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip

Welcome to Winnipeg

Dr. Tomita

Dr. Tomita, school principal from our sister school Shizuoka Eiwa, visits BH to discuss the set up of the 5 month study program

The Prince of Jordan

S4 students attended a conference at the U of M with guest speaker, The Prince of Jordan. He spoke about Peace as an Alternative to Fighting in the Middle East

Goodbye, Good Friends

Lyn Stephen (Head Girl) and Nancy White (School Captain) BH'57

Students and Friends gather at the Retirement Tea

'One night last fall we gathered around a 'camp-fire' in the gym to sing Getting to Know You' and officially welcomed our new girls into the school. The months have passed quickly too quickly for the most of us and our wish has been fulfilled - in working and playing together we have come to know you....

....We hope that those of you returning will always wear your uniform proudly and be especially aware of the significance of your crest. Go on Seeking Better Things, and keep in mind that nothing is ever achieved without effort.'

With Love, Nancy (White) and Lyn (Stephen)

'Reprinted from their valedictory speech June 1957

Nancy Young's staff picutre from 1988, her first year at BH

'Don't count the day done, until you've made the day count'

- Nancy Young

Lyn Stephen expresses her gratitude and remembers years treasured

Miss Stephen thanks Meghan Fitzpatrick for her help

Miss Stephen and Mrs. Young enjoy the choir's touching songs

Mrs. Young enjoying her gifts

Students give Mrs. Young a trip down Memory Lane

Mingling with parents, students, friends and family who came to celebrate

The Graduates

Meredith Tapper, Amy Wilton, KM Guzda and Nathania van Kuik Fast enjoy lunch together while watching an Interhouse activity outside

Amy Dhillon, Richelle McCullough Hersha Goldberg, Meena Bhullar, Riya Ganguly, Vinci Tang, Elaine Wang and Carmen Hui suffer the day together due to an unplanned bout of the flu

Graduation is a crossroads for a young lady. Behind her lies the memories of childhood and days spent playing in the sun with her friends and before her lies the mysterious and exciting future. Balmoral Hall has such a welcoming and kind aura that leaving the safety and warmth of home is sometimes difficult. You can look around at all the smiling faces that encourage you to achieve and reach your goals and know that all the support in the world is there to help you succeed. We are all fine young women and we are prepared to take the world by storm. Thank you to everyone at Balmoral Hall.

There's no point in being grown up if you can't be childish sometimes.
Doctor Who.

Reflections

Kyla Belton

'The years have flown by and throughout the years we have had some hilarious moments.' armpit love Christopher Reeves and my personal favourite the 'playful' kitten! Good luck in the future! Deidre

Hey there my favorite FAS rat baby. I'm sincerely going to miss our psych e-mails with our offensive inside jokes. Maybe next year well have more luck picking up our hot university men. Petra

'Beltor my cherub! I loved every minute that I've spent with you. Cuba was amazing and our late night talks always calm my heart. Good luck and there will always be a spot for you in my armpit! Love Jules

'Remember all our fun times together like making the 'Bessie' musical at your cottage going on mosquito patrol attempting to jog every morning playing Goldeneye on N64 taking I-zone pictures, cheerleading and our many sleepovers. I'll always love you!!!! Amanda

'Since that first dance at SJR as grade sevens, we have managed to become the best commucratic drama duo ever at BH. Perhaps the first but thats the way to do it. Always be that unique Kyla I know! For now, Mer.

'From the Jeep, Audi, Stang, Rent songs, pounds of sushi eaten, underground trips, Fringe Folk and the Aussie Pavilion, weve gone through the best and the worst of times, but always together. Love you Jane.

Meena Bhullar

You are the strangest combination of wild and serious but you are always motivated towards achieving your future plans. During your seven years at BH you have always been there to talk when weve had personal issues, mock us when we embarrass ourselves and knock us over in front of our lockers (and be knocked over by certain other people). And, yes, Meena, we know you can touch your nose (although it is probably easier for you than most) and that make up at Fashion show really showed your true colours! Thank you for helping Riya realize that she has a weird fetish with guys that look like animals and for always liking normal guys (well, most of the time). Lets not forget the time that you and Amy got mugged she knows that you could have taken them on! Thank you for being the valuable brown half of the best dynamic duo ever! Without her Meeniy theres no way that Mer couldve survived. Although we realize that you are perhaps one of the more rational people well ever know your stories will always be contradictory and we love you and find you more interesting as a result! Love always Amy², Nat, Laura, Riya and Mer

Laura Blackwood

Laura, it has been quite the experience to be your drama buddy and then fellow European historian. You have opened my eyes to so many different types of entertainment (those crazy TV hamsters!) and perspectives. Whatever you end up doing after high school, make sure it is something in which you can read and write constantly. Your literary talent and zeal should not be wasted. For now, Meredith.

"Hey Laura Wow, four years at BH have flown by. Balmoral Hall will always remember the quiet girl who was always seen in the library reading a new book and the one who wowed the school with her acting. Guys and Dolls, The Boyfriend, If They Could See Me Now and Kaleidoscope you did it all and with amazing ease too. Your ability to act and sing is amazing and inspiring. And of course, even though I love Harry Potter, I know you outbeat me. Youre constantly on Harry Potter sites reading up on the latest news and writing speeches on the women in the series. I agree with you Hermione rocks! I know well see amazing things come of you. Its been a pleasure to know you Laura. I'll see you when you achieve the great success I know you are so obviously destined for. Always, Amy D

Samantha Brooker

Ahoy hoy! Well Hellooo there! Sammy shmoo brooklyn where on earth should I begin this? D squared V squared slurpees mini donuts the X sandlot L7 weenie rollerblading AC everytime I ever fell bike riding across from the gas station involving a fence jolly ranchers and your dog hey sam what do u have for lunch? BH agendas junior high romances broken hearts and joyfull screams late nights A Bugga Bugga purple chicken fights holding my hair when you know what breaking a nail simpons is all I can say ET phone home mario cart till the wee hours of the morning its not the size its how it looks hey nice feet theyre large how ever do u find shoes? soccer trying to get you to swim august and everything after your fridge has been my mentor your closet is my dream running in the rain this is my friend bernice dancing like crazy women and trying to sing with you. Our friendship is a legacy a dream and something I want to last forever. I cant imagine a day without my soul mate Love You Dicky. Hoy!

Genevieve Cloutier

We have all grown to love Gen over the years. Her caring nature makes it easy to open up to her. Everyone sees her as a mother figure and we tell her our deepest secrets knowing that she wont tell anyone. Her love for animals is unconditional. Gen can find ways to incorporate animals and her horse Coco Joe into almost every project. Some of us can remember Gen from when she was a little girl in her pink tights and bodysuit in ballet class. All she ever wanted to do was play with Maras hair and smile. We all know if we are looking for a hug Gen will be standing there with open arms. So many memories have been formed in Mexico on ski trips at parties in fashion show and at the lunch table. We all know that no matter how much food Gen eats she will never gain a pound. She will always be our human garberator named Garby the Barbie. After spending ten years at Balmoral Hall Genevieve has grown into a beautiful and intelligent young lady that will do something amazing with her life. Who knows maybe one day our little turtle will change the world and make it a better place. We love her so much wish her the best of luck in the future and promise to always keep in touch wherever our lives take us. Love the 7 Sam Claire Alicia Saskia Danielle and Mara

Julia Cloutier

We seem to create memories getting into trouble. From our Camp Arnes experience to getting kicked out of class by Mrs. Sammons to needing a seating plan in grade 12 Chem. We also had the nights at the movies and our chats at Starbucks and how we are freakishly comfortable around each other. I'm sorry about Tiggey getting sick on you. Whenever I'm in need youre there to give me a piggy back ride. I'll miss our juicy English conversations. Peace. Remember ending up at the same place as someone does not always mean you are stalking them! Have fun at U of W. Love Christy Petie and KM No matter how many names our head girl has collected over the years and how many times they change the one thing that is genuine is her contagious smile kind heart and irreplaceable friendship! Never forget to 'Holla' once in a while! "I have to talk to you 'nod'." Its not for now! My wheeeeels slick My wheeeeels slick. Our pre-volleyball finger dance. The Chinese serve or 'Serve Like a Man Julia! If that turtle looks at me one more time IMA kill it! The Conan Hair Flip...AAHh! Never forget our summer sleepovers and mango juice! Mini-pizza and chicken pot pies forever. Remember always Jules...Let it Fly...Youll be successful with whatever you do. I'll always be around to kill the spiders or squish the beetles under the linoleum. Youre my best friend in the world and I love you Apu. Luv ya Dana (Manjula)

Dana Delapenha-Dobbin

I'm looking at you can you see me? We can see you kidnapping the child! You must be faster so stay true to Tae Bo. Remember staying up all night watching WWF (Shawn Michaels and Shane) and Power Rangers (Billy!) then taking a wee break at 3 a.m. (a.k.a. 'Crunch Time') to partake in some serious Tae Bo action. Then without sleep wed get a brilliant idea to go visit Joty via roller blade and bike even though it was up a hill. Then due to exhaustion and the belief that any weight could be Danas Ash was brought closer to the bike than she ever thought she would be. That bike had been through a lot and it met its last ride outside of the Golf Dome. Speaking of rides what ever happened to that woman who chased us to the Pembina Police Station? Dana are we really educated? Thank your mom for all the spaghetti and meatballs (what were you thinking when you became a vegetarian?) that got us through the late night practices and ping-pong games. Always remember e = x and if nothing else works out you can always fall back on being a cat burglar (record player). Good luck in all you do we love you with all our hearts.
Ashley Apu Ron Richard (Julia) and Harry (Mer).

Amy Dhillon

Hows it goin, Dhillon? Were sorry for you being vertically challenged and horizontally privileged and although you are a slow listener and may not be the sharpest pencil in the box, we love you anyway (Meena not included). Well never forget the 'incident' at the swamp; thanks for making Bio a splash. Who knows you might have drowned in the two feet of water or whatever! In your 4 years at BH, you have fearlessly asked questions of the crankiest teachers, participated whole-heartedly in YIP, had a questionable 'membership' in Reach for the Top, added to our 'brown crew' in Continentia, attempted to play badminton (we were going to be in tournaments, remember?), and been an awesome friend. Remember the great times at all the debating tournaments (good ol Morden), SOMA (Brendan), YP (our amendment - we should have won!)? Your friendly reminders to bring in our raffle items, and your enthusiasm for - (starts with D, rhymes with Bonovan) were contagious (Meena!). And who can forget how fabulous you looked in fashion show (from Riya-I mean it!)-and the many guys you tried to steal as they replied to your emails! And of course, we cant forget grad and your b-day week PAR-TAY!! Youll always be 'special' to us. Meena, Nat, your other half (Amy), Laura and Riya

P.S. well keep an eye out for Brayden, the newspaper boy!

Claire Dickson

Ahoy Hoy! We have all been best friends for so long that its hard to capture every moment weve had together. Claire, you are such a 'goof' but thats why we love you! Never forget D squared and V squared in the benzee. Man that thing is still truckin along. Stalling on Osborne was oh so much fun! haha. And oh man the Moxies Brownie which we crave, like all the time. Never put the spoon down. The Pemby. Well that just speaks for itself!! Mariokart until 5 in the morning was always a blast. Our grade 9 French exam well that was a beauty! Mexico can never be forgotten. Prancing around in your teeny weeny red bikini upside down shots, and not to mention falling in the ocean! Youre such a little fishy. Panorama was another story. Falling in the ditch and making a human ladder to get you out. Skipping class in grade 9 on your birthday to go shopping at Tergesons and then chanting OIL OIL OIL. Awesome Possom chickiepoo!! Come on Child, Come on Child...and so on. Try not to head bang cause for some reason that always gets us in trouble. Stay cool girl. And Remember, Organic food is better cause you just added 5 more years onto your life. You little organic freak!! Good luck with everything and never stop smiling!!! Love your best friends Sam, Mara, Danielle, Alicia, Saskia and Gen. Hoy!

Jian Fang

Youre a fun friend to have, you make art class so much more interesting. But STOP polluting the air we have to breathe the same air too. Haha...Good luck and have a great time in New York. Carmen

" hey its already time to say goodbye. I really had a good time with you. I feel like the summer that we spent together in Winnipeg is like yesterday. We had so much fun hey? even though I hated summer school. I was really glad that I got to know about you more. I'm gonna miss all your nonsense jokes, & your eyes when you smile!!! I know you are going to a totally strange place next year but I'm sure you will be fine. Just dont fart on the first day of school, you are gonna scare them away-!! Woo Sun "It is so fun to have you in the class. But dont forget to show your respect to the teachers. BE NICE-!!! Good luck in NY! And keep your life simple happy without tear. Vinci "You are the most funny friend I have ever had. I dont think I can laugh without you. I will miss you so much. Good luck in NY. Eri "You are such a cute girl I have ever seen! Wish you good luck in NY and be safe there. Hope we will see each other in Shanghai some day. You used to promise we will go to 'Rojam' together, dont forget! Love, Elaine "I miss the 'duck stomach' Well come back to Winnipeg to visit us. Irene

Manon Gamache

Manon and I became friends mainly because we disliked the same people. Years have passed and weve found more in common than just that. It seems that neither of us understand physics, we both write tests at an extremely slow rate, and we both like dorky Clay Aiken. Weve had good times. Remember our chemistry game with Thalium and Mercury? And Ziggys party? High school has been a blast with you Mannie. More good times will be shared in the future. I wish you the best of luck, not that you need it. Love you Mannie. 'Jamzie'

"The meeting of the two personalities is like the contact of the two chemical substances; if there is any reaction, both are transformed. Maybe I did end up getting something out of chem. Class and all those labs where something always went wrong. I cant believe how lucky I was to make great memories with you. Mud mask makeovers, Hanukkah parties, birthday parties, the sharing of university acceptance excitement, lots more and way more to come! I will really miss our seriously deep talks about spirituality, the best and worst future possibilities or our chronically bad (horrible) guy choices. Remember crushing is always more fun! Just when the caterpillar thought the world was over it became a butterfly. Mannie, I love you always and forever. Love Hersha.

Riya Ganguly

Madame Riya!! First off I'd like to thank the Academy..These past four years have been so unforgettable! However our memories aren't normal; your fascination with animals (frogs, hamsters, horses, muskrats, ferrets, parrots...); being kicked out of my car (OUT!); my talking nonsense while sleeping; unintelligent waiters; shedding on my white carpets; awesome concerts... From your piano lessons (haha) to spending a summer at Harvard, you've become an amazing, intelligent person who I admire and love. I'll miss you enormously next year but you'll undoubtedly be happy and successful in everything you do. One last thing ..MEH!!! Love always Laura (Clumsy Monster) "Theres fat, and then theres Riya! - Amy D.

"I've always appreciated your genuineness, laughter and hospitality- of which I have sometimes taken advantage. Remember the movie night the creepy flashing red light the MSLC (African Dancing!), and the Parent Ball and that funny lady with the flower? We've had good times, and I wish you more at Waterloo. Love Nathania "My dear ex-roommate... I really enjoyed gr.12 at BH because of you!!! I'll never forget our long nightime talks and your enthusiasm especially at Monday Morning Assemblies! I guess we are going to the same place next year, huh? I know you'll make it big!!! Keep in touch! - Woosun

Hersha Goldberg

I can honestly say that I have nevor met anyone quite like you -one of the coolest people I know. It's been amazing spending the last few years around you. Don't forget me when you have your own cooking show.... and remember- nevor cook for a man. Love, Jamz "Throughout the years I have been privileged to get to know you. It started when I noticed your strong affectionate personality, mixed with your bubbly smile and bouncy curly hair. We shared many great moments when you would expound your philosophies on spirituality, exotic foods or shoes. We have grown to understand one another and to appreciate every moment even more. What makes you unique in my eyes is your thoughtful inspirational ways, your energy, your spirit! Love Manon "a.k.a. Wendys buddy! You've been such a good friend to me, and I will never forget your everlasting smile and optimistic attitude. Always remember driving in my car blasting 'SkatOR Boy' (see you latOR boy), constantly stopping at Sev and celebrating Carb-Mania Fest! I have learned so much from you; dedication really pays off; starting a project more than a day in advance is beneficial; and eating something you're allergic to is sometimes okay. I know you'll succeed tremendously in your future culinary endeavors; don't forget that I'll manage your restaurant one day! Love you TONS! - Lemon

Lucía González-Botello

Has it really been three years already? We've had so much fun from partying until the morning - to the countless nights at Assiniboine Park. What would I have done without you at Tijuanas! There has never been a boring moment with you, even when we were painting the letters for the fashion show! Do you remember 'Minimum Fries' and the 'perfect McDonalds moment' J I can't wait for next year - we've made it so far, and it can only get better. Summer in Mexico!! Ciao! You are killing your lungs ladies!!! Irene J

Kristi-Marie Guzda

Holla! How are your boys doin? You know Nick, Paul, the gym boys, the kick boxing boys, Jeremy? Wow you've got a lot on your plate, busy girl. You are really a great girl. We're all so lucky to know you. You're the kind of person who would open a door or hold someones coat. You give good advice and can always relate, too bad you're such a sléuzze. I hope we enjoy many more nights out together followed by a stop at pita pit. Dude what the heck? SMD Oh sorry, sorry, did I bump you, oh sorry.

"KM!!! I don't know what I'm going to do without you, whos going to tell me entrancing stories about the gym? How will I know how Paul is doing? Of course, I mean Paul Walker here, I mean who else could it be? You're going to be one of the people I'll never forget and never stop missing. If you ever need to take a break in the Caribbean you can always bum with me. I hope nothing but the best happens to you. Take care, Amrita

Petra Gyles

We have made so many amazing memories in together from our sit-ups at the pool beach night evenings where we had to get our moneys worth to our Mardi Gras night where we were always on the same page. From our constant trips to see Tim to our fun night at Tim Hortons and our cool new pants we seem to always be laughing! Thank you for friendship your home and your shower! Eating late is great! I'll come visit you in Montreal! Love Christy

"Hi there! Pee-tree thank you for making me laugh with your pick up lines your old man laugh and wearing your mufti 80s theme clothes to dinner You always knew how to make me smile! Dont forget its never too early! KM

"Peter/Quazi I cant tell you how glad I am that I've met you. I have so much fun with you and youve helped me grow. I cherish the time spent with you. Whenever I hear Endless Whisper and Cruisin or Atomic Kitten I'll think of you. I'll miss you like its going out of style. I've never met anyone like you and I wish you the best. I know youll have fun. Get as many phone numbers as possible. Try to remember who youre talking to because I'm not there to remind you where you know them from. You are the coolest because you lived next to school and still managed to miss math. Have fun I'll miss you! Love Clouts

Woo-Sun Ha

Hey- MY DEAR ANGEL!

Well- Time passed so fast. I cant believe we are going to separate soon. It sounds so sad. I am sure I am going to miss you so much, especially your sexy laughing... haha!

Over these two years, a lots happened to us. Youre such as my bigger sister to take care of me and taught m a lot of stuff. I really had a good time with you. Have a good time in Toronto and get your first boyfriend ASAP! Vinci

"WooWoo, BoBo- Hahaha--- Still remember that day u fixed my eyebrow, man that was hurt, but thank you for giving me advice to make me look nicer and prettier although I dont really care about my look now. You keep being pretty la- because you need to get a hot guy ASAP ma- Right? Hehehe-

I wish u will have a really really good life in UT. I heard so many smart boys there good for you! Anyway you have to take care! Dont forget to find a boyfriend for Shirley as well- Friends need to share the happiness together ma- I will love you always, you are cute, smart and sexy. Life is short, play more- Yours Jian

Alicia Haber

We all recall when you walked into BH, floating along in your own little world with your hands out and your head tilted! Well remember all of our great trips together: Panorama (we almost died from gas inhalation), Giants Ridge (you almost died from a concussion), and not to mention MEXICO (we almost died a few times! Parasailing, banana boating, and those crazy Mexican men!) We all love dressing up before dances and attempting to straighten your hair you always in your 7 jeans. We'll always remember the fuzzy blond birds nest which always made our fingers smell fruity. Sam Claire and Mara will always remember the great times on AC and Gen will remember the great rides you had on Coco. Wendy wil never EVER forget the near death shark attack while parasailing (or falling) in the middle of the lake...and no it definitely wasnt supposed t happen. Sas will always remember the late-night msn runs, morning-after stories, and our special driving route past that old bronze rug! No matter what memories we have of our past times together we still have so many more to come. Lishy: through thick and thin you have always been there for us with your goofy laugh that always makes us smile. From your yellow spaceship to baby marshy, you have always been there drive us through our memories. We love you Lish/Lishy/Pish/Bean/Egghead/Habes!!! Love The 7, Sam, Claire, Gen, Saskia, Danielle and Mara

Saskia Hoogstraten

Sas started out as the shy new girl. Her uniform was perfect, no flaws, and always just right...things hav changed. Her shirt is untucked, her kilt is rolled and she is always wearing her Etnies. From the geek in grade 8 who drew little pictures and put beads on pins to the amazing girl who is everyones friend. We will never forget when we went to SJR hockey games, getting ready for dances, snowboarding, trying to be singers/dancers in the musicals, spares (that says enough...chemistry!), 5-10 sev runs everyday, lunches and MEXICO!!! Andrew, The Boyfriend of 2 years. Hanging out with his friends, so much fun (what are w doing next weekend, hmmm Katies maybe?) And of course, the few things that we will never forget...The Famous Maximus, The Blinding Smile, little chicken legs, and of course you are a cute little button!! We love how you leave everything to the last minute, but somehow you pull it togethe We love how you have always been there for us and are always willing to drop everything to make a friend smile. Over the years we have grow as best friends. Sas, you are an incredible friend and an outstanding person. No matter where we all are next year youll be in our hearts no matter what they say well be best friends now and foreeever more! PS- please dont cry. Lish and Janelle made it out of the ocean alive! Love the 7, Sam, Claire, Alicia, Gen, Danielle and Mara

Carmen Hui

Hey Carmen!! I remember seeing you at the front of the school and wondering what youd be like and if wed be friends. Well I guess it worked out didnt it? Through everything youve changed your hair, clothes, study habits but youve still stayed the Carmen everyone fell in love with in grade 9. I'll forever associate you with fashion, dying fish (wink wink) and hilarious times in rez. Youre one of my favourite memories and I'll miss all the laughter. Take care. Amrita.

"Hey Carmen! I've had an amazing time being your friend for the past four years. I will never forget our adventures in Japan,' A cat always knows where it is going,' you are from Hong Kong NOT Japan,' and getting on the extremely wrong train! I know you will succeed in anything you do. Love always Lemon. "Carmen Carmen where would we all be without your monkey laugh and dendrophiliac tendencies? You were never really one to tease me about horse-faces after froggy Martini!! Thanks for the sushi and the girl talk even if I still dont know any Cantonese. Good luck in T.O. and try not to catch any (more) deadly viruses! Tons of love Richelle

Amanda Huminicki

Dear Amanda What do I say to a girl that has been there my whole BH life? You were my first BH friend - glasses will do it every time! Who can forget everything we have been through,' my bathroom floor at Lilac the time limit in each store at Polo, shrubs our first car accidents (too bad it was with each others cars), and who can forget being banned from St.Vital Bowl due to a certain missing glow ball! You are truly the greatest friend and I know you will succeed in everything you do. I am always here for you and we will always be friends. Good Luck in the Future. Love always Ashley Makinicki

"The playful kitten venting cuddling CMT ladies, Birdfeeder, Blue slush the Dr.DeBlonde visits, was it BROWN?, Smelly cat!, I think that somethings heating up can I leave with choo... St.Vital park, Harry Potter, and cyclones. I just wanted to thank you for always being there for me through the good and bad times. You are a true friend and I love you for always being there! Birds Forever. Deidre

Mara Kipnes

Mara has been one of our best friends for a long time. She is always there, ready with a smile to help us with our problems, big or small. Not only does she put 110% into her friends, she puts a great deal into her schoolwork and her love for sports. Mara has danced, played volleyball, soccer, basketball and even run track!!! Our trips together were amazing. Panorama (Just remember that when a picture is being taken to HOLD YOUR BOARD!), Assessippi, and especially Mexico! Parasailing, Baywatch babes, jet skiing, bar hoppin, the works! Hey Mar, stay away from sparklers when you go to the lake! And yes, your hair IS perfectly straight! Mar, Kippy Skipper Mars Bar M-Sharp (?), well never forget your creepy eye, mmm...BACON!, and everything else that makes you so special to us. You'll always have those memories with us, like when you and Gen were only three, playing with hair, instead of clapping to the music. Lish loves cuddling with you especially after being locked out of her room! And Sam will never forget all the wonderful fights you two had, over who knows what!...We all have such great memories with you, and we hope to keep them coming...WE LOVE YOU MARA!
Love The 7 Sam Claire, Alicia, Saskia, Danielle and Genevieve

Christy Kolt

Dr. Olt/Ms. Pacman

Kolt can be found doing her pilates in the middle of the atrium on a 'good' day or up in the chem lab where Chem makes her hot on a bad day! Christy has an addiction to Tim Hortons, their staff, and their iced caps! You are the most interesting person that I've ever met. You are incredibly smart and mature and its great how you love Harry Potter and your space books. I can see you marrying a volleyball player and having your own Pilates Instruction video. Remember the time at Tim Hortons with the free ice caps? A piece of advice Chris, try to know when you have an exam so that you dont study for the wrong one. I hope that we keep in touch over the years with each other and Tim. We're going to miss the slumber parties. What will you do when I'm not there to fight off the creepy BO men who yell at you in the movie theatre? Remember when the power in the school went out and we played wheelie chair derby? I will forever be grateful to you for teaching me how to dive in volleyball. It was so fun making scavenger hunts for Lois and Donna in Waterloo. Dont lose Red Bear. Never stop singing because one day your unique twang will take you places. Good luck in the future and never lose touch. We will always be here for you and we will always love you! Love, Jules, Petie, K.M. and Lauren

Tai-hei Law

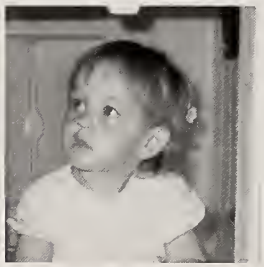
Hey! Teresa! Did you know we have already known each other for one year? Although it was not a long time in our life but I m sure we will remember each other forever. I will remember who cares about me when I am alone here who teaches me the live-rule in an international residence who shares her feelings with me who talks about Mike every time who asks me for porridge in the middle of the night who does things following her feeling and who climbs stairs like an old lady. You! All are you! Teresa please dont think too much about the past you cant change nothing. Think more about your future I prefer to see the Teresa which is full of hope for the future. Promise me youll be happy in the future the future is in your hands. Love Kitty Ye ^-^

Jamie Lee

Chicken..You know. Jai! Jamz! this is the name that I use to call her. Jai is a good friend of mine even if she likes to beat up people or shake her lice to the people around her. Jai is a pet lover she had every kind of animal in her house especially her chinchilla Kiwi. Jai has the most crazy car it is super fun to get a ride with her because she always smacks all the head to the window. I will never forget about the past tha we had together you will always be in my memories. Friend Forever. Love ya lots Tapanee (Tale)

"Oh my Jamz! You are so much fun all the time. I will never forget chem. class with pictures of your chinchilla Lance revving your engine and your hair! Since we seem to agree on everything I guess we will always be friends. (at least according to the parent association ball) Love Hersha

"Jamie I only have good memories of you. You and I and the fusion of our minds simply made dreaming worth it. From our hoping to become famous written eccentric plays to the design of our dead Jesus fish tattoo we never lacked in imagination. Our silly reveries may not ever materialize but I know that our friendship will remain strong forever. Love Manon



Laura Lemon

MEH! Guess who? Haha from the days of Curt to Thanking the Academy weve done it all! As for boys yes even through the hamsters and hick boys-today our taste has matured to muskrats and ferrets parrot But always remember: the two year old poses never stop being amusing three way calling is the bestest my the Frog binder was cool the Take me Take me! No youre ugly! card was hilarious and learning that it because I m brown isnt it? will get you anything you want. I've written this in a straight train of thought deserve a cookie. For real though thanks for being an awesome beautiful fantastic friend who listens wher I m hysterical about my crazy parents or about guys. YOU ROCK! - Luv Riya

"Hey study buddy the best way to study for calc is by doing crossword puzzles. Thats OK well become gambling alcoholics together...And you can buy me slurpees anytime I dont mind. Love from Amy

"Laura Lemon picture of perfection. Nicknames will live on forever and one day you will meet your skaterboy. Blasting Pony and Wendys wil always be ours. I'll keep you on speed dial for gossip fests/ confidence boosters etc. and I'll never forget what Cosmo says. Love Hersha

Irene Li

Flash Back

Be proud of what you are and go after the things you want. I know you can do anything as long as you work hard. Wish you all the best in UM and have a great summer with J-Lo. Carmen

"Dear Irene(JI) you are my first friend in my study years in BH. You are nice and cute almost everybody likes you. not much things to talk about in school coz school is always same boring. I am just worrying that what r u gonna do when the school finishes?!You have way too much stuff in you room. Everytime I g to your room it is even harder for me to put my feet down... hahaha... just wish u have a good university li and work hard! i will miss you! Jian

"Smoking is killing your lungs ladies! She looks like a fish. I am so sleepy I think I'll sleep in class. B&H menthol extra extra extra light Donated by: Lucy and Irene welcome all! duck stomach mmm good... gimme some moooore! and oh yes the shining sign from above that spoke us and said go to Mc Donalds NOW! lov ya hun - Lucy

"I had so much fun with you these past two years and I m so happy that we can still see each other next year too. I hope our university life w be great. Work hard and enjoy university!!

Ashley Makeiff

Always remember N'Sync, snowboarding eating salt and vinegar popcorn or easy Mac, go for the gouda, and stay away from the smoked cheddar! trying to meet Butch and Beefcake but ending up with Beavis and Butthead and partying at Lilac eating boyfriend pudding and driving around Southdale, getting angry and lost. I love you! - Amanda Mackinicki " I remember you with your thick white glasses and brownie uniform in grade 1. How is it that you dont have glasses anymore but I do? Youre one of my best friends and I cant imagine my life without you. I'm looking at you...Can you see me? How did we remember that for so long? Remember New Years 2001? All the times we spent at Lilac mini-golfing or when we went rollerblading around Lindenwoods with our cheap roller blades. I know well be friends forever. I love ya. Peace out my black brother. - Dana "Well the joys of high school are finally over and youre free to experience lifes ups and downs.The most important thing that you have taught me is if Pizza Hut is more than 10 minutes late with your order it should be free or curb stomp! You have been more of a sister to me than anyone so speaking sister to sister: refrain from singing in public, youll make more friends that way! Keep in mind that my door is always open if you need a friend. Best of wishes in the future.Carrie

Richelle McCullough

I never believed the blonde jokes before meeting you. I never knew a person who would give up a long weekend and show up at school on a staff prep. day at 8:00 am. The WORST thing about this is I got a phone call asking why there isnt anyone at school at 8:30am. Gee...I wonder who is this person? No matter what kind of dumb thing you have done in the past 4 yrs. you will always be my best friend. Thank you for being a patient listener and a thoughtful friend. You are the GREATEST English teacher and one of the valuable friends I have gotten to know during my stay in Winnipeg. I will never forget all the happy moments we have together. I will miss you terribly and keep in touch. Stay cool and stay hypersentive when people touch you. luv, Carmen "Youre one of the most unique people Ive ever met and yes I mean that in a good way. Smart and blond all at the same time, truly a skill. Thanx so much for letting me stay at your farm and supplying me with the best pickles ever. I'll also never look at a gummi bear without thinking of you. Hope you find someone else to confuse you all the time and win all the arguments, even if you know youre right. I hope you can always have your horses theyre a part of you. Good luck in Calgary and have fun. Your friend always, Amrita

Amrita Mohanty

Flash Back

Whew, four years where did they go? I really shouldnt have mocked you for your soap opera at your tropical paradise deathtrap because it looks like its rubbed off on me too now. Oh well, maybe on the televised version we can get Paul Walker to play Thomas for ya. Thanks for being the rebel I never could be, and for making me question blindly following. (Except in chem! Baa baa!!) We will understand Physics some day!! Well, maybe not. I'm going to miss your sarcastic humour and constant messing with my head. Try not to miss the -44° windchill too much as you lie on the beach!

"Thank you for being the best roommate and friend I have had in the past four years. How can I go on without you when I have to pick up a dead fish from the floor? Man... that poor fish was meant to go to heaven after 3 days in my room. (You need someone like me to make you feel confident about becoming a vet) Please behave next year and save Richelle and me a few neurons for the 10 year reunion. Have a great year and stay in touch. Well miss ya!!Richelle & Carmen

Jane Polak Scowcroft

To days of inspiration, playin hookey, makin something outta nothing- the need to express to communicate... To the good, the fun, the craziness and excitement that weve faced so far- its definitely been a trip! From Rocky Horror and Priscilla Queen of the Desert(!!) to RENT (I still have our ticket stubs!) and the Kings Head. Dont forget 'Zen' Michael, Tom, David, Mark, and 'Paul', Sous & Adam, Adam, Arlo (raise the roof!), Matt (I didnt love you, I was just curious!!) Scott, Geoff, Chris & Chris, Jon & Paul and the boys from Relish-Yon-Ship! Osa-ma-rare-a-dock - it smells like burning, the Eatons window, pane and Arlos trip to the hospital, the BLOODY buskers, and discovering the Crumbs rehearsal space!!! (mmmMr.Simmms), sushi, sushi, musical, sushi, sushi! And actors are STILL nothing more than glorified props! 'lol' Swapping Vonnegut watching EPL soccer and eating Belgium waffles the thorpedo, and running amok at night in Assiniboine Park. The Audi incident and the Aussie pavilion - FOLK FEST 2002 and camping Penner!! You have made BH a better place with your balsamic vinegar obsession and always saying what you feel. Youre one of the bravest people I know, and I am truly lucky to know you. Now close this old yearbook and go make yourself legendary, its completely within your grasp. Aussie aussie aussie- Oi Oi Oi! Love Kyla

Carrie Rothwell

What do I say to a girl who means so much to me and is one of the most wonderful people I have ever met in my life? How do I write all we have been through when the list is endless. We have done it all thick and thin we did it together. Whether it was singing in the car making a scene at Pizza Hut (or really any where for that matter) or (threatening to) curb stomp anyone who messed with us. I will never forget the attractive burps you always had up your sleeve. Our Subway lunches proved more than just a trip down Osborne but homed one of the best places we bonded. We would talk about everything there and I will never forget you for it. Dont worry whenever you go you can still have my cheese even if it is the orange kind and I will never get any ongions so dont worry about that. You have been my advisor my therapist my make-up consultant (yes Carrie it needs to blend - it looks orange) my scapegoat when times were rough my room mate (okay well it was good in theory) my friend but most of all my sister. I wish you all the best in the future. You will be successful and happy in anything you do but in case not I leave you with this - marry rich. You are the greatest friend Love Ashley

Deidre Santos

I had so much fun with you at BH and I hope that we will have a good time together next year at university! We have many memories like our driving / bicycling adventures watching Trading Spaces singing Justin Timberlake in the car while driving around St. Vital park going to Harry Potter and being more scared than the little kids beside us inventing birdfeeder spying with our binoculars going to Bernsteins deli for lunch being sad in the stairway of St. Vital bowl and eating 7-11 candy and Boston Pizza cheesecake! I'll always be your friend! Love Amanda

"Hey playful kitten whats shakin? I'm going to miss the continual bonding in chem class that we both enjoyed and those notorious inside jokes that still make me laugh even to this day (thats right you know the ones I am talking about!) I dont know what were going to do when we actually have to smarten up and act normal in university. Thats going to be interesting but I think I speak for everyone in the class when I say that your spirit and grace has truly blessed this graduating class with memories and enjoyment. I wish you the best in your future years. Carrie

Eri Sawai

You are my best friend ever! I know it is weird that we didnt even talk to each other when we were in Grade 11 but look now! We are best friends! Isnt that amazing?! Time changes a lot of things and I thank it for this one! We always do some crazy things together like asking the waitress in 'Earls' if we can pack our drink back to rez or saying exactly same things at the same time. We always talk about our friends together and cry or get sad about the similar things that happened to us. By the way you remember the engagement we had?! remember the ring we had?! haha that was a big news in our class even Mr. Warriner was wondering how could that happen? I know! coz we care about each other! I just wish u will enjoy your life and have a good time in the university! Dont forget that we have a meeting in 10 years here!Love Ar-Jian

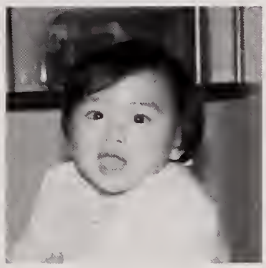
"I am so glad you see me as one of your best friends and you are one of mine too...forever.. I wont miss you because we will still see each other in city!!! and University! keep in touch~ I dont have much more to say because I am not leaving you yet..M.M.F...Love Irene

Lauren Seaman

Hey SeaMAN! Remember our trip to Niagara Falls where we were left behind?? The fact that both of us went on a debating trip while having mono. What about The Tap? The debater dance? Mowski? Or the spy cameras in your bedroom in our Mississauga mansion? Remember calling Papa W from the T.O.? Running around Montreal singing songs from the musical at the top of our lungs while on our way to eat supper at 1am. Oh! And Vancouvers read-a-book, Captain Morgans and Petemobile. And then theres Nationals and our sneaky e-mail usage (I love your dad!) Following buses and singing to Josh on our SUSHI runs in the middle of debating practices. Remember to stop exacerbating the situation you master debater!!! Never forget that although the wheel may be turning the hamster is most likely dead. Stop eating Cheez Whiz!! - Caners "15 years at B.H. and you have most likely been there for only half the time! From your debating trips to reach for the top to personal health days You have record for highest average with least attendance. Remember in French class when Mme. would ask what everyone did on the weekend and you had always bought more clothes! Waterloo was a great trip from the baseball game to our shoe purchases our scavenger hunt for Lois and Donna and who could forget Red Bear!!! Good luck at the prestigious faculty of Arts at the U of W and remember if you dont have a calculator just Do It In Your Head! Love Christy

Andi Sharma

Andi! It is amazing for me to say that I have known you for 3 years and I can truly say you have been one of my favorites. I just wanted to let you know that you are one of the kindest most intelligent most interesting coolest amiga that I have known! I wish everyone was as awesome as you are. I also hope you know that no matter where I am you can always count on me. Keep our memories in mind and your laughter forever. Never forget the pimpin van that took the gals to such adventurous times at the park the sign from an up above highlighting moment in McDonalds and how can I never forget our liberator the hole. Through all this time I have gotten the chance to know you and I am very thankful for that because not only did we share learning experiences we shared most importantly a friendship. Por ultimo mi querida Andi toma en cuenta que **la vida no es un problema para resolver...es un misterio para vivir.** Life is not a problem to resolve . . its a mystery to live. Te quiero mucho. Lucy



Vinci Tang

It is lucky to have such a nice friend like you. Teaching you Mandarin is the funniest thing between us at BH and to my surprise you improved a lot! Okie good luck on next year and we will see each other in Liverpool to meet our dearest Michael Owen one day. Love Elaine "Thank you for being there when I needed someone to talk to and to comfort me. I wouldnt be able to stand back up after that awful fall without you. Most importantly thank you for being such a thoughtful and wonderful friend. I will treasure the great times. Wish you the best for next yr and thanks for teaching me all those useful Chinese words. Carmen "You are tall smart and funny. You are a friend to everyone. Just a little advice to you: Get a single room in the university! You dont wanna have another speaker volume competition. Take care in university and your future life! I will miss you. Your Jianjian with love. "You are very powerful girl I've ever seen and you are so tall!! It was very fun talking to you and I'll miss those days that we talk to each other. Have a great time at University and good luck. Eri " I cant believe its time to say goodbye. I dont think I could have gone through the year without you. Remember you are lucky that you are going to Montreal! I'm gonna miss your sweet voice and hug! Take care and I'll visit you someday~ Love you! Woosun

Meredith Tapper

Yo Mer (a.k.a. Merebear). Ever since you came to BH in grade 7, and we thought you were black (Dana), youve worked endlessly and have truly made BH your home. From the front desk to your Happy New Weeks youve always been someone we could count on. Although you think no one noticed your Mufti Day ideas were especially creative and unique. Youll always be my Dynamic other half; debating has only been so much fun because I had you to share it with. Youll always be considered an honorary Bhullar!! But I'll always hate you and all your boyfriends! Thanks for your sense of humour no matter whats going on (I admire that so much in you) and for making human geo so much more entertaining (Seizing Cuba is within our grasp! Commucrats for life!! - Were a capitalist reformed representative republic based on mutually assured destruction 'lol'). Never forget our late night study sessions at Moxies well always be Calculus buddies and reinforcing my cafeteria cookie addiction. Thanks for entertaining my whims to 'just drive'. Thank you for your never-ending support and friendship; you have no idea how much it has meant to us. Have fun at Western and remember you promised us at least one of your millions!! Your #1 gals, Dana Kyla and Meeny

Tapanee Thanaphencharti

You are an incredible person. I'm so happy I had the chance to meet you. Sappers weve been through a lot together. I'll never forget when you accidentally slashed a Beetle wheel or us NOT going to the bar and eating Thai noodles at your house. Youre my best friend Tale. I love ya. Good luck in the future... Jamz "Tapanee I have enjoyed every minute spent with you (whether it was going out for Thai food bubble tea or sushi.) The hours spent getting all the clothes for the fashion show were not long enough because you made the whole thing so much fun. From our pants being wet from the snow to the spilt white chocolate latte that went all over your car to your Thai style parking job we always had something to laugh about. Hopefully one day we will find ourselves together on the beach in Thailand. Love Manon

"Thanaphencharti!!! AQUI! AQUI! Yes he was a cutie. You have been such a valued friend to me and I dont think I have ever gotten into an argument with you . I have to say that you are lo mejor de lo mejor! There are many years ahead of us (Thailand is still to come) and I want you to keep in touch with me. Thank you for standing beside me all this time. Te quiero niña! - tu amiga la loca Luchis

Nathania van Kuik Fast

Natita Your dedication has always been amazing and inspiring (even though you forgot about numerous Spanish quizzes). Youve accomplished sooo much and we have to thank you for all the times you have been there for all of us helping with any problems weve had. Although you sometimes get annoyed when our issues are pointless (Amy W) and irrelevant (Amy W) and long-winded (Amy W) and repetitive (Amy W) we will always be grateful. Weve had fun going out for dinner and spilling water everywhere we go being cheap pooling our money and sharing food (with negative consequences). We have even unsuspectingly stalked guys while going out for BDI ice cream (haha- Riya swears she didnt know he lived there!). Your sad attempt at being an athlete will always be remembered but we knew it wouldnt work out in the long run! Stupid badminton it couldve worked! Haha yet you still manage to get the occasional whistle while going out for runs (you sexy chica you!). We have the utmost respect for your courageous decision to leave us for Mexico (make sure you bring us back some hombres calientes!). We are certain youll be successful no matter what you choose to do. Youre the greatest! Love Amy^2 Meena Laura and Riya

Elaine Wang

Elaine!!! She is the best roommate! She is the most diligent girl I've ever seen and the nicest one. I really enjoyed having you for my roommate even though sometimes you are too quiet that makes me wonder if you actually live in our room. Thank you for helping me out with my homework. You are a great tutor! haha- Whos gonna help my homework next year? ah!!!! I hope we had some good memories together and I'm sure we will never forget the freezing room hey? I know you will miss my loud music! I know you wont miss WINTERPEG! at all, but keep in touch with me and you are more than welcome to visit me and Shirley~! I'll miss you so much!Love ya-woosun "Hey Math genius...I am going to miss you so much. What am I going to do without you in Calculus? We should write the College Board Calculus exam together...cause we are the best team in the world. Have a great year at Waterloo come visit me when you have spare time. Wish you all the best and stay in touch! Carmen

"You are so smart and nice. Thank you so much for your help in academics. It did help me a lot. Good luck in Waterloo-!!! And hope you can meet a hot guy like Michail Owen there-YEAH-!!! Vinci

Danielle Weidman

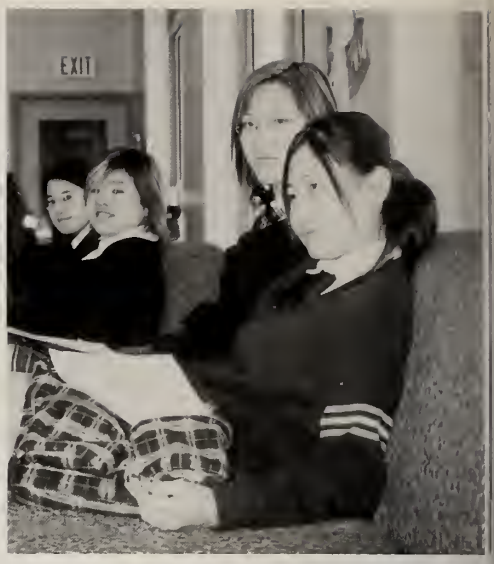
We met you not long ago and already we are all such close friends. We love you like our sister maybe even more. Our past years together as a group have prospered into something so special and we thank you for being such an important part of it. We are so proud of you and what you have become and your commitments. String bean, remember Wpg Beach bingo fights, sleepovers and hennas? The slurpee runs and dressing up for dances. TRYING so hard to look hot?!?!, having your outfit already laid out a week before we STILL dont know what to wear 5 mins before leaving! The list goes on...Were so proud of you for finding David... SNOWBOARDING. Enough said Hey Danielle dont forget your helmet and your leash! Banff Asessippi Giants Ridge and of course MEXICO!!! Mexico was one time none of us will ever forget... banana boats, seals falling off baywatch sharks, hot men, sick old men, braids and oh dont forget your near death experience with Lish...What a day! There have been tough times and amazing times, but we only remember the important ones... the ones where we stuck together like hot glue! Dang! Youll be in our hearts no matter where we are well stay good friends now and forever more...We love you Danielle!!! Love the 7, Sam Claire, Alicia, Saskia, Gen and Mara

Amy Wilton

So Amy, where were you this morning? Sleeping... From waking up at 4 in the morning to study to late-night basketball practices, and taking six APs, you have always been able to handle more than we could ever have imagined. Youre the oldest of us all (even though you really shouldnt be), and youve shown us how to avoid our homework, how to gamble, and learn an entire two years worth of material in a single night. We have to thank you for your attention to the fine details that just dont matter, but in the end really do make a difference. Your 'capris' are the greatest, and youre always complaining about how you need to lose weight to fit into them. Remember walking to DQ when we could have driven, and then rewarding ourselves with ice cream after our 'exercise' or coming over and watching your illegal TV (hint hint, nudge nudge). And dont forget our numerous trips to Sev and Macs and our new-founded addiction to lottery tickets - I'm NEVER studying with you again! Have fun being 'independent' in University even though you cant do your own laundry or make your own lunch for that matter. Amy^2 is the way to go!!! So, for now, bye (wave)! Love Meena, Laura, Nat and Amy

Who We Really Are:

Kyla Belton - Most likely to become a roadie
Meena Bhullar - Most involved
Laura Blackwood - Quietest
Samantha Brooker - Most likely to star in her own Reality show
Genevieve Cloutier - Best shoulder to lean on
Julia Cloutier - Most likely to be Conan OBriens favorite guest
Dana Delapenha Dobbin - Best athlete
Amy Dhillon - Most talkative
Claire Dickson - Class Clown
Jian Fang - Most distinctive laugh
Manon Gamache - Best style
Riya Ganguly - Sexiest walk
Hersha Goldberg - Most likely to travel the world
Lucia Gonzalez - Most likely to be a runway model
Kristi-Marie Guzda - Most likely to assemble a boy-band for her own pleasure
Petra Gyles - Biggest flirt
Woo-Sun Ha - Most Innocent
Alicia Haber - Most gullible
Saskia Hoogstraten - Most spirited
Carmen Hui - Most likely to develop a cure for cancer
Amanda Huminicki - Most likely to be a BH mom
Mara Kipnes - Most likely to have a scholarship named after her
Christy Kolt - Loudest
Teresa Law - Most likely to re-marry numerous times
Jamie Lee - Most artistic
Laura Lemon - most likely to have the most children
Irene Li - Most likely to sleep through every important event in her life.... including her wedding
Ashley Makeiff - Most opinionated
Richelle McCullough - Most likely to not fit into any of these categories
Amrita Mohanty - most likely to stage a protest
Jane Scowcroft - Most dramatic
Carrie Rothwell - Best friend
Deidre Santos - Oddest sense of humor
Eri Sawai - Class Daydreamer
Lauren Seaman - Most likely to be the next Mandy Moore
Andi Sharma - Most likely to take over the world
Vinci Tang - Most likely to be the female James Bond
Meredith Tapper - Most likely to succeed
Tapanee Thanaphencharti - Classroom Cutie
Nathania van Kuik Fast - Most intellectual
Elaine Wang - Most likely to be the female Albert Einstein
Danielle Weidman - Junk Food Queen
Amy Wilton - Best blusher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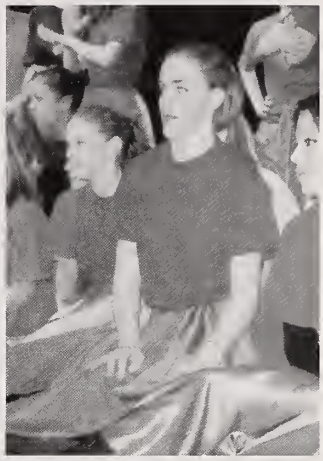


J'ADORE

The Doll Assembly

Claire Dickson, Manon Gamache, Hersha Goldberg, and Meredith Tapper are cloned so they will forever be BH girls

This year's Grade Elevens demonstrate their graditude to Mrs. Friesen for hours of help, expertise and support in the creation of the dolls

Katie Reynolds and Vanessa Heron presented Mrs. Friesen with a doll and flowers on behalf of the Grade Elevens

BH Lifers

Dana Delapenha Dobbin

Ashley Makeiff

Lauren Seaman

Laura Lemon

Deidre Santos

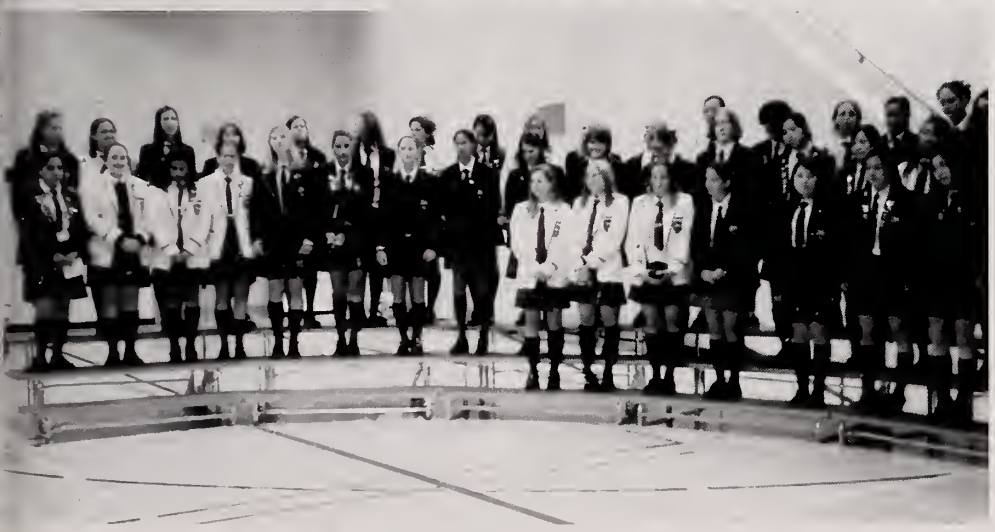
Julia Cloutier

Amanda Huminicki

Amy Wilton

Nathania van Kuik Fast

Peter Lemon and Ditte Cloutier who were Junior Kindergarten classmates here at BH, now stand with their own daughters Laura and Julia who are graduating as BH Lifers



Kristi Marie Guzda gets a hug from Zoe Calsbeck during the assembly Graduates will be missed by many friends young and old

CONVOCATION

Dana receives the award for Varsity Athlete of the Year from Mrs. Calsbeck, Mrs. Sumerlus, and Judith Aronovitch, last year's recipient

Amy Wilton, Laura Lemon, Manon Gamache and Amy Dhillon wait for the ceremony to begin

Mrs. Sumerlus presents the Award for Junior Varsity Athlete of the Year to Kaitlin Briggs while Kristine Wilson, the previous recipient, looks on

Deidre Santos, Jamie Lee, Kyla Belton and Laura Blackwood wait for the big moment

The keynote speaker, Michelle Sawatzky, delivers the Graduation Address

Michelle Sawatzky, Ken Bicknell, and Mrs. Kamins listen to Mrs. Sumerlus speak to the Graduates

Kristi-Marie Guzda receives the Sports Trophy on behalf of Glen Gairn

Christy Kolt receives the Elizabeth Patton Memorial Shield

Dana Delapenha-Dobbin receives the Jacqueline Anderson Award

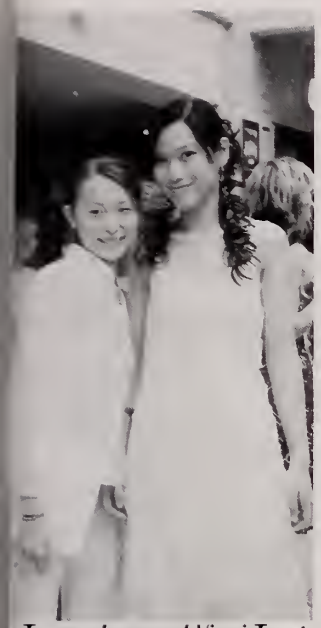
Laura Lemon receives the Pacific Award for scholarship and leadership

The new and old Senior School Prefects

The new and old Middle School Prefects

The Senior School choir sings to the Grads

Garden Party



Teresa Law and Vinci Tang smile after graduating

Dana Delapenha-Dobbin and Julia Cloutier enjoy the sun

Andi Sharma, Manon Gamache and Jamie Lee

Ashley Makeiff receives her Alumni Association gift

Nathania van Kuik Fast, Christy Kolt and Laura Lemon at the Garden Party

Meredith Tapper and Hersha Goldberg

Petra Gyles celebrates her success with her family

Amy Dhillon, Jane Polak Scowcroft, Riya Ganguly, Laura Lemon and Meena Bhullar

Elaine Wang and Irene Li leave the church with relatives

Grad Dinner

Mrs. Alexander, Ms. Kirk and Mr. Warriner inform the grads of the Top Ten things that they'll never do again

Andi Sharma and Sam Brooker toast the Board of Governors

Meredith Tapper, Jane Polak-Scowcroft and Claire Dickson impersonate the teachers

Kristine Wilson and Marta Alphonso toast the Grads

Tina Alto and Heather Welch respond to the toast to the Administration

Jane, Marta, Lisa Koss, Kyla Caners and Sarah Murdoch enjoy the night's festivities

The girls show some skin as they rejoice in their success

The graduates enjoy the slide show

Deidre Santos celebrates her achievement with her sister, Brittaney

Claire Dickson and Gen Cloutier laugh over the memories

The Ganguly's celebrate this milestone in Riya's life

Celebrating Our Success

Rez girls enjoy the festivities with Anna Kelso and Claire Pennington

Laura Blackwood, her mom and friend, Carol Morrison, enjoy the music

Scott Lemon busts a move for the Grads

Above: Jesse Wilson and Andi Sharma
Below: Ms. Wilkes and Ms. Fulton

Meena Bhullar and her father enjoy a dance

Dana Delapenha-Dobbin and Meredith Tapper

Hersha Goldberg and Manon Gamache

Landen Kulczyki, Jamie Lee and Tapanee Thanaphencharti

After Grad

Wild in the Jungle

Good afternoon Mr. Bicknell Mrs. Sumerlus Honoured Guests Staff Alumnae Family Friends Students and Fellow Graduates. Firstly I would like to how fitting it is that our guest speaker is volleyball star Michelle Sawatzky. This years varsity volleyball season was the most successful in the scho history. It is my great honour to deliver this valedictory speech to you. I have waited 13 years to be able to have this privilege. I stand before you tod thrilled to be graduating. I thought that I would not be able to cope with leaving the secure walls of BH and starting a brand new life but I feel ok and is because it is time. We are all ready everything is right. I am so proud to have attended Balmoral Hall and to have received an amazing education. T are so many people who have been fundamental to our success. On behalf of the graduating class I would like to address 3 groups: our teachers our fam and our fellow students.

Our teachers from Junior Middle and Senior School you are truly fantastic. You are kind caring patient and thoughtful. We could not have survived w your care. You have endured all our nonsense and brought out the very best in us. You have answered all of our questions from what colour pen we shoul to the ever looming physics question. So Dr. DB How is it that if I am in a spaceship traveling into a black hole it will take me a split second to disapp however if someone were watching the spaceship it would take until eternity to disappear? Luckily no question or comment was thought too silly to b answered. Over time our relationships with our teachers have evolved from viewing them as 2 headed monsters to the friends who we count on for absol everything. You have offered us the answers to all of our questions as well as your friendship and guidance. Each teacher has his or her way of motiva us to do well whether it is stickers from Mrs. Shyka or Mrs. Baillies coloured chalk. I can still hear her sayYou folks get all worked up over it. You been by our sides helping us through the tough times and standing proudly beside us as we have triumphed. We have been through so much with you an have never let us down. The sense of security at BH is because of the strength of the staff and administration and everyone who works behind the scene would be remiss not to include all the people who work for the school our hard working administration and everyone behind the scenes. The school woul function without them. A special thanks to Ms. Welch without whom this year would not have run smoothly. You all have taught us to ask questions ex our thoughts feed our minds and never give up. Thank you!

And now our wonderful BH Family: the girls who fill the halls with laughter love and mars bars squares. The most wonderful thing about Balmoral is the close relationship that we have developed with each other. It is spectacular to be part of a school where everyone is each others support system. T is not one BHer here today who would not go out of her way to support a fellow student. We are so happy to have you all as our friends because at the end of the day that is what really matters. We are very privileged to attend Balmoral because we are offered a superior education and we are surrounded by people who would do anything for us: that is pretty rare. Take advantage of your opportunities there is nothing that you cannot do. We have been given a strong found that enables us to achieve anything. So please if you want to be a doctor lawyer country singer or a hot dog vendor do it because you are passionate about it and then you will be great! Also please remember that to whom much is given is expected. It is our duty to give back to our community because we have been given so much. Work hard have fun and never compromise your values. If there was one thing that I needed to hear when I entered grade 7 it was: Dont into peer pressure. Make your own choices. I want you to know that you can be the leader you dont have to wait for someone else to lead. If you want to wear a high side ponytail or red sparkly shoes just do it. Just dont do it in scho Mistakes are an opportunity to learn and become a stronger person. We cannot change the paths that we will travel but we have complete control over the choices that we make along the way. It is how you deal with each experience t writes your life. This year has been my best year at BH and I can honestly say that it is because of each and every one of you. You have been welcoming generous patient and enthusiastic. Because of you this year has been so much Thank you for always offering your opinions your stories and your friendships.

Our family and friends: you have made us who we are today. You have insured that we were protected when we thought we were invincible. You have been there through every important moment of our lives such as our first day of sch and you are here today to support us on our last. If a persons character is a combination of everyone in her life then you are the best thing about us! Our parents have taught us respect confidence and how to love. When we thought ths were alone and everything was falling apart you were there to pick up the pieces and help us to make it right. Thank you mums and dads for not questioning our outfits when we left for the dance (even if they were hard to look at) a thank you brothers and sisters for giving us that last boost of confidence before leaving the house. Without the advice wisdom and unconditional love that you gave us we would never have stretched beyond our limits. You had faith in when no one else did and you loved us when we thought no one else could Thank you!

To my fellow graduates. If a 2003 Balmoral Hall graduate were asked what she was going to be when she grows up the answer would be: successful in charge happy and independent. Simply put this is a class of leaders and of drea who will make it big some day. Its wonderful not having to worry about your friends because I know in my heart of hearts that every one of you here today will do something incredible in your life if not many incredible things. I am proud to be a member of this graduating class as this means that I am a part of an outstanding group of women. Some of our friendships started way back in kindergarten and some are as fresh as one year old. We have gone through m exciting times like the push game in line after recess the invention of the game of hatball moving into middle school and skip day! Our friendships have been forged through trust honesty integrity and love. There is not one person in graduating class who hasnt made a significant difference in the lives of one of her peers. Over the years we have learned that everything you do effects someone else and being cruel is an ugly trait. Never lose your dignity because no m what happens you will always have yourself and no possession in the world is worth giving up who you are. My beautiful talented fantastic friends our paths have crossed for a reason. We may be going our separate ways but no ma where we all end up we started here (our home free) and we will always have the beautiful memories made with our BH sisters. Nothing will ever change that.

Good luck to next years prefects! As I pass on the Head Girls prefects cord I am confident that next year will be incredible. Whatever you do enjoy it because before you know it you will be graduating.

Class of 2003 this is our day to shine we are graduating! Congratulations on all that you have accomplished it is remarkable.

Good luck in the future and always remember that youve got a friend in me. I will miss you like its going out of style! I love you with all my heart good luck!

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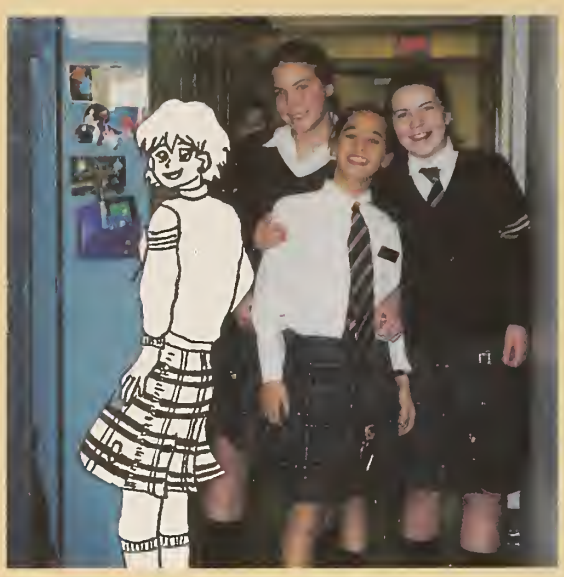

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